



**ISSUES AND PROGRAMS REPORT**

**FOR**

**STATION WPTF**

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(July 1<sup>st</sup> – September 30<sup>th</sup>)**

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## **WPTF PROGRAMS THAT ADDRESS COMMUNITY ISSUES**

WPTF operates an "All News, All Day" format that includes "in-depth" news coverage. Many of the "news segments" that air each weekday deal with issues of politics, economy, human relations, morality, and other general topics affecting the community and our listeners in the Raleigh-Durham area. In 24-hours, 680 WPTF airs 12 hours of news programming and 12 hours of informative talk programming each weekday.

### **1. North Carolina's Early Morning News and Morning News** (Monday - Friday, 5:00 am - 10:00 am)

A locally-produced morning "all news program," hosted by Patrick Johnson, Brian Freeman, and Brandon Dickson focuses on world, national and local news, plus weather, and traffic and interview segments throughout the show. The bulk of this weekday program is news, weather, traffic and other information to help listeners get their day started. The program includes updates from CBS Market Watch. There are regular guest appearances by people in the political, tech, business, legal, financial, and health care fields. Program participants engage in conversation about the headlines of the day. All interviews are between one-minute thirty seconds and three-minutes in length.

### **2. North Carolina's Mid-day News** (Monday - Friday, 10:00 am - 12:00 noon Until August 27, 2015)

A locally-produced "all news program," hosted by Patrick Johnson which focuses on world, national and local news, plus weather, and interview segments throughout the show. The program includes interviews with guests in the entertainment, local news, political, legal, financial, and health care fields. Program participants engage in conversation about the headlines of the day. All interviews are between one-minute thirty seconds and three-minutes in length.

### **2A. Bill LuMaye Show** (Monday – Friday, 10:00 a.m. – 12 noon Beginning August 27, 2015)

This locally-produced talk show highlights topic and interview segments and listeners' calls, focusing on local, national, and international issues, in addition to newscasts, weather, and traffic; hosted by Bill LuMaye. Bill has a deep commitment to family, pride in his country and belief in the freedom of expression.

### **3. North Carolina's Mid-day News** (Monday - Friday, 12:00 noon - 2:00 pm Until August 27, 2015, 12:00 noon – 1:00 p.m. Beginning August 27, 2015)

A locally-produced "all news program," hosted by Bruce Ferrell which focuses on world, national and local news, plus weather, and interview segments throughout the show. The program includes interviews with guests in the political, legal, financial, and health care fields. Program participants engage in conversation about the headlines of the day. All interviews are between one-minute thirty seconds and three-minutes in length.

### **3A. Clark Howard** (Monday – Friday, 1:00 p.m. – 3:00 p.m. Beginning August 27, 2015)

The nationally produced Clark Howard show is helping millions of Americans through all types of financial trouble. He simplifies complex issues, allays fears, and offers sound advice to help families thrive during financial crisis. In addition to the program, listeners are kept up to date with news updates from the North Carolina News Network.

### **4. North Carolina's Afternoon News** (Monday - Friday, 2:00 p.m. – 4:00 p.m. Until August 27, 2015, 3:00 p.m. – 4:00 p.m. Beginning August 27, 2015)

A locally-produced "all news program," hosted by Brandon Dickson focusing on world, national and local news, plus weather, and interview segments throughout the show. The program includes interviews with people in the political, legal, financial, and health care fields. Program participants engage in conversation about the headlines of the day. All interviews are between one-minute thirty seconds and three-minutes in length.

**5. North Carolina's Evening News** (Monday - Friday, (4:00 p.m. - 7:00 p.m.)

A locally-produced "all news program," hosted by Scott Briggaman focuses on world, national and local news, plus weather, and interview segments throughout the show. The program includes interviews with guests in the political, legal, financial, and health care fields. Program participants engage in conversation about the headlines of the day. All interviews are between one-minute thirty seconds and three-minutes in length

**6. Clark Howard** (Monday – Friday, 7:00 p.m. – 9:00 p.m. Until August 27, 2015, 7:00 p.m. – 8:00 p.m. Beginning August 27, 2015)

The nationally produced Clark Howard show is helping millions of Americans through all types of financial trouble. He simplifies complex issues, allays fears, and offers sound advice to help families thrive during financial crisis. In addition to the program, listeners are kept up to date with news updates from CBS and WPTF News.

**6A. Bill LuMaye Refill** (Monday – Friday, 8:00 p.m. – 9:00 p.m. Beginning August 27, 2015)

The best of the Bill LuMaye from earlier in the day

**7. Open Line with Tom Kearney** (Monday - Friday 9 p.m. - 10 p.m.)

Hosted by long time WPTF staff member Tom Kearney, this show spans a wide gamut of issues including current events, sports and pop culture. Guest experts normally participate in the show and calls are taken from local listeners as well as many others within range of WPTF's 50,000 watt night time signal via a toll-free number.

**8. Dr. Joy Browne** (Monday - Friday 10:00 p.m. – 1:00 a.m.)

Nationally syndicated talk radio show focused on helping people deal with different life difficulties.

**9. Red-Eye Radio** (Monday – Sunday, 1:00 a.m. – 5:00 a.m., Saturday, to 7:00 am)

Nationally syndicated, Red-Eye Radio is the country's national clearinghouse of information, thoughts and opinions on numerous issues. Katie Award Winning hosts Eric Harley and Gary McNamara engage their millions of listeners and callers with the major issues of the day including current events, legislation, popular culture, family issues, detailed national weather forecasts, safety tips and interviews with trucking industry leaders.

**10. WPTF News:** WPTF broadcasts world, national and local news at the top and bottom of every hour 24 hours a day. Newscasts also include sports and weather. Breaking news is broadcast immediately by WPTF's staff of six full-time news anchors/reporters plus the resources of CBS News. All major news events, such as a State of the Union speech are carried live. Some examples of local news stories during the 1<sup>st</sup> quarter are listed at the end of this report, along with date, time and issue.

**11. WPTF Traffic Reports:** WPTF broadcasts local traffic weekdays from 5 am to 9 am and 3 pm to 7 pm. Reports are aired at :08, :18, :28, :38, :48 and :58. Each report runs from a full minute in length and are produced locally within WPTF's studios by the Triangle Traffic Network

**In addition to the weekday programs, WPTF airs numerous weekend programs in the public interest:**

**12. North Carolina's Morning News – Saturday** (Saturdays, 6:00 a.m. – 7:00 a.m.)

A locally-produced morning "news wheel," hosted by Tony Riggsby, focuses on world, national and local news, plus weather and interview segments throughout the show. The bulk of this program is news, weather, traffic and other information to help listeners get their Saturday started. All interviews are between one-minute thirty seconds and three-minutes in length.

**13. Eye on Health** (Saturdays, 7:00 a.m. – 8:00 a.m.)

A locally-produced sponsored program about finding and coordinating care for elderly adults.

**14. Weekend Gardener:**

(Saturdays, 8:00 a.m. – 11:00 a.m.)

A locally-produced talk show that has experts fielding listener's calls about plants and gardening.

**15. Dining Out with Greg Cox:**

(Saturdays, 11:00 a.m. – 12:00 p.m. Until August 29, 2015)

A locally produced restaurant review program featuring News and Observer food critic Greg Cox and hosted by Dave Richmond. Greg gives listeners the inside scoop on eateries all over the Triangle covering all food categories, new restaurants and secret places to eat.

**15A. Assest Protection Today with Bill Alexander** (Saturdays, 11:00 a.m. – 12:00 p.m. Beginning August 29, 2015)

Attorney Bill Alexander addresses the important issues of retirement and estate based issues.

**16. The Bulls and Bears Show** (Saturdays, 12:00 pm – 1:00 pm and Sunday's, 9:00 a.m. – 10:00 a.m.)

Sponsored by "Online Trading Academy, this regionally syndicated, "paid," program, hosted by Adam D.A. Matisko, advises investors on methods and strategies to make money in the stock market.

**17. The Financial Planning Hour with Rick Parkes** (Saturdays, 1:00 p.m. – 2:00 p.m.)

This locally produced call in program highlights financial expert Rick Parkes, who helps people keep their money and create a plan that will ensure that they do not outlive their money but live a comfortable life in retirement.

**18. Joe Wade Formicola:**

(Saturdays, 2:00 p.m. – 4:00 p.m.)

Locally produced call in show that centers on topical news and debate on anything from entertainment to the latest in politics. Joe Wade offers up whatever is on his or his listener's minds with little to no holding back.

**19. The Money Pit Home Improvement Show** (Saturdays, 4:00 p.m. – 6:00 p.m.)

Nationally syndicated and hosted by Leslie Segrete and Tom Kraeutler, Money Pit gives listeners advice and information on making home improvements, and solving home repair and maintenance troubles.

**20. Into Tomorrow with Dave Graveline**

(Saturdays, 6:00 p.m. – 9:00 p.m.)

Nationally syndicated "Into Tomorrow" covers the latest in consumer electronics and technology. The program, hosted by Dave Graveline, is a dynamic blend of listener interaction and insightful and informative guests speaking on a variety of topics related to technology.

**21. Sunday Morning Music**

(Sundays, 6:00 a.m. – 7:00 a.m.)

There's nothing better to start a Sunday Morning than light, reflective music. Paul Michels hosts.

**22. Carolina Newsmakers**

(Sundays, 7:00 a.m. – 8:00 a.m.)

A locally produced, public affairs, programming highlighting local and state newsmakers discussing various topics. Hosted by Don Curtis.

**23. Sunday Morning Magazine**

(Sundays, 8:00 a.m. – 8:30 a.m.)

Hosted by Don Curtis, this locally produced program reviews various stories in the news. Don is joined by Jason Kong, and Brian Freeman who comment on the stories presented.

**24. Living in the Light with Anne Graham Lotz** (Sundays, 8:30 a.m. – 9:00 a.m.)

Anne Graham Lotz is an American Christian evangelist and the second daughter of evangelist Billy Graham and his wife Ruth Graham. In this weekly 30-minute program, Anne allows listeners to get to know God personally, intimately...as His friend - living in the light of His Word.

**25. People in Politics**

(Sunday's, 3:00 p.m. to 4:00 p.m. Until August 30, 2015)

A locally produced, public affairs, program that centers on what's happening in state government political circles. Hosted by Donna Martinez.

**25A. The Financial Planning Hour with Rick Parkes** (Sundays, 3:00 p.m. – 4:00 p.m. Beginning August 30, 2015)

This locally produced call in program highlights financial expert Rick Parkes, who helps people keep their money and create a plan that will ensure that they do not outlive their money but live a comfortable life in retirement.

**26. Religious Programming:** (Sundays, 10:00 a.m. - 12 noon)

WPTF broadcasts the Sunday morning worship services of Duke Chapel, 10 am and Edenton Street United Methodist Church and White Memorial Presbyterian Church on alternate Sundays at 11 am.

**27. Triangle Trader** (Sundays, 12:00 noon - 3:00 p.m.)

Host "Trader Dave" Alexander takes calls from listeners, who are allowed to announce items they have for sale.

**28. The Wine Crush** (Sundays, 4:00 p.m. - 5:00 p.m.)

The Wine Crush is a one hour dynamic, fast-paced lifestyle program that not only explains and demystifies the world of wine, but demonstrates how wine can be integrated with everyday life. Host Laura Lawson is a veteran in the wine business who manages to couple her vast wine knowledge with her unique sense of humor and tactful sarcasm.

**29. CBS Weekend Roundup** (Sundays, 5:00 p.m. - 6:00 p.m. Until August 30, 2015)

CBS correspondent Dan Raviv gives listeners an in-depth report about the top story or stories of the week.

**29A. People in Politics** (Sunday's, 5:00 p.m. to 6:00 p.m. Beginning August 30, 2015)

A locally produced, public affairs, program that centers on what's happening in state government political circles. Hosted by Donna Martinez.

**30. Money Matters** (Sundays, 6:00 p.m. - 7:00 p.m.)

The hosts are Doug and Linda Lewis, certified financial planners, who answer questions about the economy, and personal finance. They deal with issues of 401K and other employer retirement plans, IRAs, Roth IRA's, etc. They discuss the markets, national, regional, and local financial news and the impact a story may have on the economy.

**31. 60 Minutes** (Sundays, 7:00 p.m. – 8:00 p.m.)

This nationally known television news show highlights news maker interviews and investigative reports along with celebrity guest interviews and commentary. 60 Minutes is presented live to listeners even when the television version is delayed.

**32. That Cancer Show** (Sundays, 8:00 p.m. – 9:00 p.m.)

Cornucopia Cancer Support Center presents a forum for conversations about the cancer journey. The host-guest call-in show, called That Cancer Show™, provides the Triangle community an opportunity to ask questions and talk about their personal experiences with cancer.

**33. Hall of Fame** (Sundays, 9:00 p.m. – 1:00 a.m.)

Curtis Media's founder, Don Curtis, takes listeners down a trip on Memory Lane with the hit songs of the past and the inside story about artists and the tunes.

**ISSUES OF CONCERN TO RALEIGH-DURHAM  
ADDRESSED IN RESPONSIVE PROGRAMMING**

**CODE ISSUE**

AC	Arts & Culture	HO	Housing
CD	Crime/Drugs	HSM	Health, Safety and Medical Affairs
CR	Civil Rights & Activism	IA	International Affairs
EC	Economy/Employment	NS	National Security
ED	Education	PA	Political Affairs
EH	Environment/Health	RE	Religion
GA	Government Affairs	SO	Social Media
GR	Growth/Transportation/Roads	SP	Sports/Games/Races

**WPTF news segments and interviews air as one-minute-thirty second to three-minute packages that air at various times during the day, within WPTF news hours.**

**AC-Arts & Culture**

JULY 1 - TOM KEARNEY SHOW - HISTORIAN JOE CADDELL - REMEMBERING THE BATTLE OF GETTYSBURG ON ITS 152ND ANNIVERSARY - AC

JULY 2 - TOM KEARNEY SHOW - NOSTALGIA NIGHT - LISTENERS RECALL THE AMERICAN SOFT DRINK - AC

JULY 3 - TOM KEARNEY SHOW - FRIDAY NIGHT TRIVIA - PATRIOTIC MOVIES - AC

JULY 6 - TOM KEARNEY SHOW - CLIVE GOODWIN WORLD WAR II B - 29 PILOT RELATES WARTIME EXPERIENCES - AC

JULY 14 - TOM KEARNEY SHOW - DR. LLOYD KRAMER, PROFESSOR OF HISTORY AT UNC - CHAPEL HILL ON THE MARQUIS DE LAFAYETTE AND THE FRENCH REVOLUTION - AC

JULY 15 - TOM KEARNEY SHOW - NOSTALGIA NIGHT - THE "TWINKIE" IS BACK - AC

JULY 16 - TOM KEARNEY SHOW - STEPHEN KIRK ON HIS NEW BOOK "VOICES FROM THE OUTER BANKS" – AC

JULY 21 – FROM MOVIE TO RESTAURANT, BUBBA GUMP SHRIMP IS A SUCCESSFUL AND THRIVING ESTABLISHMENT. WPTF'S DAVE RICHMOND TALKS TO FOUNDING CEO OF BUBBA GUMP SHRIMP SCOTT BARNETT ABOUT HIS GREAT BOOK "GUMPTION" (GUMP- SHIN) AND WHAT YOU HAVE TO DO IN ORDER TO RUN A GREAT RESTAURANT. AC

JULY 21 - TOM KEARNEY SHOW - JOE NEWBERRY IS GUEST AND THE SUBJECT IS TRADITIONAL NORTH CAROLINA MUSIC AC

JULY 22 - TOM KEARNEY SHOW - NOSTALGIA NIGHT - LISTENERS MEMORIES OF BREAKFAST CEREALS AC

JULY 23 - TOM KEARNEY SHOW - HISTORIAN KEVIN DUFFUS ON THE HISTORY OF NORTH CAROLINA'S COAST AC

JULY 24 - TOM KEARNEY SHOW - STEPHEN KEARNEY SETS THE QUESTIONS ON FRIDAY NIGHT TV TRIVIA AC

JULY 28 – WHITNEY HOUSTON PASSED AWAY IN 2012. NOW, HER DAUGHTER, BOBBIE CHRISTINA BROWN, PASSED AWAY SUNDAY AT AGE 22. DAVE RICHMOND TALKS WITH CBS NEWS CORRESPONDENT STEVE

FUTTERMAN ABOUT HER JOURNEY FROM THE DAUGHTER OF TWO FAMOUS SINGERS TO HER DEATH IN HOSPICE IN GEORGIA. AC

AUGUST 3 - TOM KEARNEY SHOW - DR. STEPHEN REYNOLDS NCSU PHYSICS PROFESSOR ON THINGS ASTRONOMICAL - PLUTO,BLUE MOONS,ETC. AC

AUGUST 4 – IT'S THE END OF AN ERA THIS WEEK AS JON STEWART IS PREPARING TO LEAVE COMEDY CENTRAL'S 'THE DAILY SHOW' AND TURN OVER THE HOSTING DUTIES TO TREVOR NOAH... WPTF'S PATRICK JOHNSON ON STEWART'S TENURE AND IMPACT AS HE TALKS WITH THE KING OF T-V PAUL GOBLE. AC

AUGUST 5 - TOM KEARNEY SHOW - RUSS GARWOOD AND KEN PLEASANT OF CAPITOL COMICS TALK ABOUT THE HISTORY OF COMICS AND COMICS - INSPIRED MOVIES AC

AUGUST 6 - TOM KEARNEY SHOW - MARGARET MARON VISITS TO DISCUSS HER NEW DEBORAH KNOTT MYSTERY,"LONG UPON THE LAND" AC

AUGUST 7 - TOM KEARNEY SHOW - FRIDAY NIGHT TRIVIA - CULT MOVIES - PART 2 AC

AUGUST 13 - TOM KEARNEY SHOW-NOSTALGIA NIGHT-LISTENERS FIRST FAVORITE SONG AND RECORD AC

AUGUST 13 – THE NC STATE FAIR IS NOT UNTIL OCTOBER BUT THAT DOESN'T MEAN YOU CAN'T HAVE FAIR FOOD TODAY. BRIAN FREEMAN GETS SOME IDEAS FROM HOWARD FROM THE MR. FOOD TEST KITCHEN. AC

AUGUST 13 – THE TRIANGLE IS ONE OF THE BEST PLACES FOR YOUR POOCH. ACCORDING TO WALLETHUB, RALEIGH AND DURHAM ALONG WITH GREENSBORO ALL RANK IN THE TOP 20 FOR THE BEST CITIES IN THE U.S. FOR PET LOVERS. BRANDON DICKSON SPOKE WITH SPOKESWOMAN JILL GONZALEZ TO GET MORE, INCLUDING WHAT FACTORS THEY CONSIDERED FOR THE UNIQUE LIST. AC

AUGUST 14 - TOM KEARNEY SHOW-FRIDAY NIGHT TRIVIA-NAME THAT RECORD OF ELVIS AC

AUGUST 17 - TOM KEARNEY SHOW-LISTENER PARTICIPATION-MEMORIES OF ELVIS AC

AUGUST 20 - TOM KEARNEY SHOW-DR. STEVEN VINCENT,NCSU HISTORIAN-THE LEGACY OF THE FRENCH REVOLUTION AC

AUGUST 21 – THERE ARE SOME R-RATED FILMS THAT JUST THE THEATERS THIS WEEKEND. BRIAN FREEMAN TALKS WITH KEVIN CARR OF THE [FATGUYSATTHEMOVIES.COM](http://FATGUYSATTHEMOVIES.COM) TO GET HIS TAKES ON "AMERICAN ULTRA", "HITMAN: AGENT 47" AND "SINISTER 2". AC

AUGUST 24 - TOM KEARNEY SHOW-GUEST WRITER/HISTORIAN GEORGANN EUBANKS DISCUSSES SOME NATIVE FOOD IN N.C.WRITERS WORKS (POSSUM,VINEGAR PIE) AC

AUGUST 26 - TOM KEARNEY SHOW-NOSTALGIA NIGHT-LISTENER PARTICIPATION-PHONES FROM "NUMBER PLEASE" TO THE PRESENT AC

AUGUST 27 - TOM KEARNEY SHOW-ED FUNKHOUSER WITH A POTPOURRI INCLUDING AN UPDATED NECROLOGY AC

AUGUST 28 - TOM KEARNEY SHOW-FRIDAY NIGHT TRIVIA AC

SEPTEMBER 8 - TOM KEARNEY SHOW-DOUG AND AUSTIN MATTOX OF MATTOX COINS AND STAMPS ON NUMISMATICS AND PHILATELY AC

SEPTEMBER 10 - TOM KEARNEY SHOW-SOME BRITISH HISTORY AS QUEEN ELIZABETH SETS THE RECORD FOR LONGEST REIGN AC

### **CD - Crime/Drugs**

JULY 6 – WHILE THE 4TH OF JULY HOLIDAY WEEKEND WAS MEANT A TIME OF FUN ACTIVITIES, THERE WERE TWO TRAGIC ACCIDENTS. BRIAN FREEMAN TALKS WITH DONNA MARTINEZ IN THIS SEGMENT OF EYE ON NEWS ABOUT WHAT TOOK PLACE. CD

JULY 13 – A FAMILY IN RALEIGH MOURNS THE LOSS OF A FATHER WHO DROWNED IN JORDAN LAKE WHILE TRYING TO SAVE HIS DAUGHTER. WTVD'S ANGELICA ALVAREZ TALKED WITH THE FAMILY OF LEONARD PURCELL WHO DIED IN THIS TRAGIC ACCIDENT ON SATURDAY. CD

JULY 13 – THE SON OF RALEIGH'S POLICE CHIEF IS ACCUSED OF WALKING OUT OF A BAR WITHOUT PAYING HIS TAB. BRIAN FREEMAN GETS THE FULL STORY AND OTHER BIG NEWS STORIES FROM DONNA MARTINEZ IN THIS EYE ON NEWS. CD

JULY 13 – THE WAKE FOREST POLICE DEPARTMENT IS INVITING ITS AREA NEIGHBORHOODS TO FORM NEIGHBORHOOD WATCH GROUPS TO ENHANCE THE SENSE OF SAFETY IN THE COMMUNITY. TOWN OF WAKE FOREST SPOKESPERSON, BILL CRABTREE TELLS JOSH ZACH THE INITIATIVE IS ABOUT NEIGHBORS BEING PROACTIVE. CD

JULY 21 – 9-1-1 CALLS ARE REVEALING THE TERRIFYING MOMENTS BEFORE THE DEADLY WRONG-WAY CRASH ON I-85 IN ORANGE COUNTY. THE HIGHWAY PATROL HAS CHARGED A 20-YEAR-OLD UNC STUDENT WITH DWI FOR A WRECK THAT KILLED 3 PEOPLE. WTVD'S ANGELICA ALVAREZ HAS THE STORY FOR US. CD

JULY 28 – THE MAN WANTED IN CONNECTION WITH HIS ESTRANGED GIRLFRIEND'S SHOOTING DEATH IN FRANKLIN COUNTY SUNDAY EVENING HAS BEEN TAKEN INTO CUSTODY. WTVD'S ANDREA BLANFORD HAS MORE... CD

AUGUST 18 - TOM KEARNEY SHOW-DAVID KIRKMAN,ATTORNEY-GENERAL'S OFFICE-CONSUMER PROTECTION CD

AUGUST 31 – LAST WEEK, AN ALERT WAS ISSUED BY THE OFFICES OF THE NORTH CAROLINA SECRETARY OF STATE, AS WELL AS THE STATE FIRE MARSHAL, THAT COUNTERFEIT TOURNIQUETS HAVE BEEN TURNING UP IN THE U.S. IT'S SOMEWHAT OF A NICHE MARKET ... MOST OF US DON'T NEED THEM, BUT THOSE WHO DO -- LIKE FIRST RESPONDERS -- CAN'T HAVE A DEVICE LIKE THIS FAILING WHEN THEY NEED IT TO WORK. JOSH ZACH TALKS WITH SECRETARY OF STATE ELAINE MARSHALL, WHO SAYS HER OFFICE PURSUES PRODUCT COUNTERFEITERS. CD

SEPTEMBER 9 – DURHAM POLICE ARE INVESTIGATING A FATAL SHOOTING THAT HAPPENED LAST NIGHT. IT HAPPENED AT THE INTERSECTION OF HANOVER ST. AND GRAY AVENUE. WTVD'S CAITLYN KNUTE HAS MORE. CD

SEPTEMBER 9 – HUNDREDS OF PEOPLE ARE MURDERED AT THEIR WORKPLACES EACH YEAR IN OUR COUNTRY, OFTEN IT IS THE RESULT OF DOMESTIC VIOLENCE. WPTF'S ANNETTE NEWELL SPOKE TO AN EXPERT, DR. MICHAEL TEAGUE, A RALEIGH BASED FORENSIC PSYCHOLOGIST, ABOUT WHAT EMPLOYEES CAN TO DO SHIELD THEMSELVES FROM HARM. CD

### **CR- Civil Rights**

JULY 6 – POLICE ARE INVESTIGATING AFTER SOMEONE SPRAY-PAINTED THE WORDS "MURDERER" AND "BLACK LIVES MATTER" ON THE "SILENT SAM" CONFEDERATE MEMORIAL ON THE CAMPUS OF UNC CHAPEL HILL. WTVD'S ANGELICA ALVAREZ HAS REACTION FROM BOTH SIDES. CR

AUGUST 4 – OPENING STATEMENTS WERE HELD MONDAY AT THE TRIAL OF A WHITE CHARLOTTE POLICE OFFICER CHARGED IN THE SHOOTING DEATH OF AN UNARMED BLACK MAN. WPTF'S SCOTT BRIGGAMAN SPOKE WITH CORRESPONDENT JIM KRASULA WHO IS COVERING THE TRIAL FOR CBS NEWS ON NORTH CAROLINA'S EVENING NEWS MONDAY. CR

### **EC - Economy/Employment**

JULY 6 – GREECE'S FINANCE MINISTER RESIGNED TODAY LESS THAN 24 HOURS AFTER GREEK VOTERS SAID NO TO EUROPE'S LATEST BAILOUT ON SUNDAY. BRIAN FREEMAN TALKS WITH CBS SENIOR BUSINESS ANALYST ON HOW THIS AFFECTS OUR STOCKS AND WHAT'S NEXT FOR GREECE. EC

JULY 8 - TOM KEARNEY SHOW - BOB CHANDLER OF MACVANTAGE ANSWERS QUESTIONS ABOUT APPLE PRODUCTS AND MAC COMPUTERS - EC



JULY 13 – EUROZONE LEADERS HAVE REACHED AGREEMENT OVER A THIRD GREEK BAILOUT AFTER MARATHON TALKS IN BRUSSELS. BRIAN FREEMAN GETS THE STORY FROM CBS SENIOR BUSINESS ANALYST JILL SCHLESINGER. EC

JULY 13 - TOM KEARNEY SHOW - DR. MIKE WALDEN OF N.C.STATE GIVES HIS MONTHLY REVIEW OF THE ECONOMY – EC

JULY 28 – TO BE CONSIDERED FOR A RAISE OR A PROMOTION, YOU GENERALLY HAVE TO SHOW YOU'RE RELIABLE. AND IF EVER YOU'VE FELT FRUSTRATED THAT YOUR REWARD FOR GETTING THINGS DONE WAS MORE WORK TO DO, NEW RESEARCH SHOWS THAT FEELING COULD BE RIGHT ON. JOSH ZACH TALKS WITH CHRISTY KOVAL -- SHE'S A PH.D. STUDENT AT THE DUKE FUQUA SCHOOL OF BUSINESS AND PART OF THE RESEARCH TEAM THAT FOUND EVIDENCE TO SUGGEST THE DIFFERENCE BETWEEN THE TWO SCENARIOS COMES DOWN TO SELF-CONTROL. EC

AUGUST 4 – WHEN PEOPLE TALK ABOUT GOVERNMENT DEBT, MOST OF THE ATTENTION IS GIVEN TO FEDERAL GOVERNMENT DEBT. BUT WHAT ABOUT STATE DEBT? NC STATE ECONOMIST MIKE WALDEN TELLS US HOW STATE DEBT IN NORTH CAROLINA COMPARES . EC

AUGUST 4 - TOM KEARNEY SHOW - WIT TUTTELL OF "VISITNC" ON NORTH CAROLINA TOURISM EC

AUGUST 10 - TOM KEARNEY SHOW-DR. MIKE WALDEN OF NCSU WITH HIS MONTHLY ASSESSMENT OF THE ECONOMY EC

AUGUST 13 – GOOD HABITS ARE TOUGH TO FORM, AND BAD HABITS ARE TOUGH TO BREAK – ESPECIALLY WHEN YOUR FAMILY AND FRIENDS ARE RIGHT ALONGSIDE YOU MAKING BAD DECISIONS WITH YOU. SO HOW DO YOU BREAK OUT OF A PATTERN THAT'S DRIVING YOU INTO THE POORHOUSE? DONNA MARTINEZ JOINS ME WITH THIS EYE ON LIFESTYLE. EC

AUGUST 31 – THE LATEST DUKE UNIVERSITY SURVEY OF CHIEF MARKETING OFFICERS FINDS U.S. COMPANIES ARE FINALLY SHOWING SIGNS OF INTEGRATING THE SURGE IN SOCIAL MEDIA SPENDING WITH WIDER MARKETING STRATEGIES. DUKE PROFESSOR CHRISTINE MOORMAN -- DIRECTOR OF THE CMO SURVEY -- TELLS JOSH ZACH THAT COMPANIES ARE ALSO OUTSOURCING MORE OF THEIR SOCIAL MEDIA MARKETING. EC

SEPTEMBER 7 - TOM KEARNEY SHOW-DR. DAVID ZONDERMAN PROFESSOR OF HISTORY AT NCSU DISCUSSES AMERICAN LABOR HISTORY EC

SEPTEMBER 9 - TOM KEARNEY SHOW-NCSU PROFESSOR MIKE WALDEN ON THE STATE OF THE ECONOMY EC

SEPTEMBER 16 – JUST BECAUSE YOUR NEW TITLE IS "CHIEF EXECUTIVE OFFICER," THAT DOESN'T MEAN YOU'VE GOT JOB SECURITY. JOSH ZACH DISCUSSES THE RESULTS OF A RECENT PAPER ON THE TOPIC WITH ONE OF ITS PRINCIPLE RESEARCHERS, PROFESSOR SHANE DIKOLLI (DUH-COE-LEE) AT THE DUKE FUQUA SCHOOL OF BUSINESS. EC

SEPTEMBER 16 – THERE ARE SEVERAL EXAMPLES OF MACHINES REPLACING PEOPLE IN THE WORKPLACE. JAPANESE HOTELS NOW HAVE ROBOTS AT THE CHECK-IN DESK. DRIVERLESS CARS ARE BECOMING A MORE LIKELY TRANSPORTATION OPTION OF THE FUTURE. NC STATE ECONOMIST MIKE WALDEN TELLS US IF THE RISE OF THE ROBOT AND MACHINE PRESENTS A NEW CHALLENGE. EC

#### **ED- Education/PSA/Science**

JULY 6 – YOU'VE HEARD OF THE SCHOOL-TO-PRISON PIPELINE ... A DISTURBING NATIONAL TREND IN WHICH CHILDREN ARE FUNNELED OUT OF PUBLIC SCHOOLS AND INTO THE JUVENILE AND CRIMINAL JUSTICE SYSTEMS. JOSH ZACH FINDS OUT THAT THE PIPELINE COULD START AS EARLY AS KINDERGARTEN. ED

AUGUST 21 – IT IS BACK TO SCHOOL TIME...DO YOU HAVE EVERYTHING FOR THE KIDS? DAVE RICHMOND TALKS TO BRIAN COOLEY CNET EDITOR AT LARGE ABOUT TECH ITEMS TO HELP THE STUDENTS SKIP TO THE HEAD OF THE CLASS. BRIAN GIVES A CHECKLIST OF THE BEST ITEMS TO GO BACK TO SCHOOL. ED

AUGUST 31 – WHAT'S THE FUTURE FOR THE STATE'S PRIVATE COLLEGE'S AND UNIVERSITIES. WE ASKED BRUCE FERRELL TO TAKE A CLOSER LOOK. ED

SEPTEMBER 9 – MANY SCHOOL DISTRICTS ARE STARTING THIS NEW SCHOOL YEAR WITH FEWER RESOURCES, BUT MORE CHALLENGES. THIS HAS BUSINESS LEADERS CONCERNED. GARY CRAWFORD REPORTS. ED

SEPTEMBER 16 – UNC -CHAPEL HILL RANKS FIFTH AMONG THE NATION'S BEST PUBLIC UNIVERSITIES, ACCORDING TO U.S. NEWS & WORLD REPORT'S 2016 "AMERICA'S BEST COLLEGES" GUIDEBOOK. THIS MARKS THE 15TH YEAR CAROLINA HAS BEEN RANKED NUMBER 5. JIM GREGORY IS DIRECTOR OF MEDIA RELATIONS AT UNC-CHAPEL HILL. HE SPOKE WITH WPTF'S SCOTT BRIGGAMAN. ED

#### **EH - Environment/Health**

JULY 20 - TOM KEARNEY SHOW - NICK PETRO OF THE NATIONAL WEATHER SERVICE VISITS "TO TALK ABOUT THE WEATHER" EH

AUGUST 4 – PRESIDENT OBAMA SAYS HIS NEW POWER PLANT REGULATIONS ARE "THE SINGLE MOST IMPORTANT STEP" AMERICA HAS EVER TAKEN IN THE FIGHT AGAINST CLIMATE CHANGE. THE PRESIDENT'S PLAN REQUIRES STATES TO CUT CARBON DIOXIDE EMISSIONS BY 32 PERCENT BY 2030. EH

AUGUST 19 - TOM KEARNEY SHOW-BARRY PORTER,REGIONAL CHIEF,EASTERN NORTH CAROLINA RED CROSS-RED CROSS ACTIVITIES,HURRICANE PREPARATION EH

#### **GA – Government Affairs**

JULY 13 – THE GREENSBORO CITY COUNCIL VOTED 8 TO1 TO SUE THE STATE OVER A NEW LAW THAT RESTRUCTURES THE COUNCIL, MAKING THE STATES THIRD LARGEST CITY THE ONLY MUNICIPALITY THAT CAN NO LONGER RESTRUCTURE ITS CITY COUNCIL AND DRAW ITS OWN DISTRICT LINES.WPTF'S SCOTT BRIGGAMAN CONTINUES THE CONVERSATION WITH JOE KILLIAN WITH THE NEWS AND RECORD. GA

JULY 13 – THE ARMY HAS ANNOUNCED THE ELIMINATION OF 842 MILITARY POSITIONS AT FORT BRAGG. REPUBLICAN CONGRESSWOMAN RENEE ELLMERS, WHOSE DISTRICT COVERS FORT BRAGG, SHARED HER CONCERNS WITH WPTF'S SCOTT BRIGGAMAN. GA

AUGUST 13 – GOVERNOR MCCRORY AND SENATE REPUBLICANS ARE URGING ACTION AT THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY LATE IN THIS YEAR'S SESSION ON TWO BILLS INVOLVING LOCAL GOVERNMENTS. MCCRORY SPOKE WEDNESDAY AT A RALLY IN RALEIGH CALLING ON SENATORS TO PASS A HOUSE BILL THAT WOULD REVIVE A STATE TAX CREDIT FOR RENOVATING HISTORIC BUILDINGS. MORE FROM WTVD'S ANTHONY WILSON. GA

SEPTEMBER 16 – DURHAM POLICE CHIEF JOSE LOPEZ WILL RETIRE AT THE END OF THE YEAR AFTER MEETING WITH HIS BOSS, CITY MANAGER TOM BONFIELD. HERE'S TAMARA GIBBS OF WTVD. GA

SEPTEMBER 16 – ABOUT TWO WEEKS FROM A SHUTDOWN DEADLINE, A NUMBER OF HOUSE REPUBLICANS SAY CONGRESS SHOULDN'T VOTE TO KEEP FEDERAL AGENCIES OPEN IF A FUNDING MEASURE INCLUDES MONEY FOR PLANNED PARENTHOOD. WPTF'S SCOTT BRIGGAMAN SPOKE WITH CBS' STEVEN PORTNOY ON CAPITOL HILL. GA

#### **GR - Growth/Transportation/Roads**

JULY 6 – TWO WEEKS AGO THE HIGHWAY PATROL ACCUSED A MOTORIST OF VIOLATING THE STATE'S "MOVE OVER LAW" AFTER HIS CAR COLLIDED WITH A PATROL CRUISER AS A TROOPER SAT INSIDE ALONG HWY 70 NEAR LAGRANGE IN LENOIR COUNTY. WPTF'S SCOTT BRIGGAMAN SPOKE WITH LT JEFF GORDON WITH THE NC HIGHWAY PATROL ABOUT THE LAW WHICH A SURPRISING NUMBER OF DRIVERS ARE STILL IN THE DARK ABOUT. GR

JULY 9 - TOM KEARNEY SHOW - THOMAS OWEN OF TAO AUTO ANSWERS AUTO REPAIR QUESTIONS AS THE "NIGHT - TIME MECHANIC" - GR

JULY 21 – TWO ISSUES CITIES, TOWNS AND VILLAGES ARE KEEPING A CLOSE WATCH ON -- ECONOMIC INCENTIVES AND TAXES. ON A RECENT EDITION OF CAROLINA NEWSMAKERS, DON CURTIS COVERED THEM WITH PAUL MEYER, THE EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR OF THE NORTH CAROLINA LEAGUE OF MUNICIPALITIES. GR

AUGUST 13 – AIR TRAFFIC CONTROLLERS' WORK SCHEDULES OFTEN LEAD TO CHRONIC FATIGUE, MAKING THEM LESS ALERT AND ENDANGERING THE SAFETY OF THE NATIONAL AIR TRAFFIC SYSTEM. THAT'S ACCORDING TO A STUDY THE GOVERNMENT HAS KEPT SECRET FOR NEARLY FOUR YEARS. WPTF'S SCOTT BRIGGAMAN CONTINUES HIS CONVERSATION WITH MARK ROSENKER CBS NEWS SAFETY CONSULTANT, AND FORMER CHAIRMAN OF THE NTSB. GR

SEPTEMBER 9 – NORTH CAROLINA MOTORISTS OVER THIS PAST LABOR DAY HOLIDAY SAW THE LOWEST GAS PRICES IN 11 YEARS, AND THE PRICE AT THE PUMP IS EXPECTED TO GO EVEN LOWER BETWEEN NOW AND THE END OF THE YEAR. JOSH ZACH TAPS INTO TIFFANY WRIGHT AT TRIPLE-A CAROLINAS TO LEARN MORE ABOUT THE LOGIC BEHIND PREDICTING FUTURE PUMP PRICES. GR

### **HO – Housing**

AUGUST 4 – MORTGAGE CLOSING COSTS DECLINED SEVEN PERCENT OVER THE PAST YEAR, ACCORDING TO A NEW REPORT BY BANKRATE-DOT-COM. BRANDON DICKSON SPOKE WITH HOLDEN LEWIS- BANKRATE-DOT-COM'S SENIOR MORTGAGE ANALYST- TO FIND OUT WHERE NORTH CAROLINA PLACED AND WHAT ALL IS INCLUDED IN MORTGAGE CLOSING COSTS. HO

### **HSM – Health, Safety and Medical Affairs**

JULY 6 – AMERICANS VISIT EMERGENCY ROOMS MORE THAN 136-MILLION TIMES EACH YEAR, INCLUDING THOSE HERE IN NORTH CAROLINA. OFTEN, ACCORDING TO DOCTORS, THOSE VISITS ARE FOR CARE THAT COULD BE ADDRESSED INSIDE A DOCTOR OR SPECIALISTS OFFICE. STEPHANIE CARSON HAS MORE ON HOW THAT'S IMPACTING CARE IN THE STATE. HSM

JULY 6 – NEW RESEARCH INTO ALZHEIMER'S AND DEMENTIA COULD BE MONUMENTAL IN REDUCING THE RISK OF COGNITIVE DECLINE. BRANDON DICKSON SPOKE WITH ANGELA GEIGER-WITH THE ALZHEIMER'S ASSOCIATION- AND LAUREN GELMAN (GAIL-MAN)- WITH THE READER'S DIGEST- TO FIND OUT MORE ON THE ANALYSIS AS WELL AS THE 10 WAYS TO LOVE YOUR BRAIN. HSM

JULY 21 – ADVOCATES ARE CONTINUING THEIR PUSH FOR INCREASED MEDICAID COVERAGE IN NORTH CAROLINA SOONER RATHER THAN LATER, DATA FROM THE GEORGETOWN CENTER AND OTHER BODIES OF RESEARCH INDICATE THAT EXTENDING MEDICAID COVERAGE TO PARENTS HAS A LONG-TERM POSITIVE IMPACT FOR CHILDREN. HERE'S STEPHANIE CARSON. HSM

JULY 21 – NORTH CAROLINA VETERINARY OFFICIALS SAID LAST WEEK THAT THREE CASES OF CANINE FLU WERE CONFIRMED AND THERE MAY BE HUNDREDS MORE SUSPECTED CASES. ACCORDING TO THE CDC THERE IS NO EVIDENCE -- AT THIS TIME -- THAT CANINE FLU CAN BE TRANSMITTED TO PEOPLE ... BUT WHAT ABOUT THE OTHER WAY AROUND. JOSH ZACH DISCUSSES THE POSSIBILITIES OF STRAIN MUTATIONS AND CROSS-SPECIES INFECTION WITH DR. MISTY VARGAS, A VETERINARIAN WITH THE AMERICAN VETERINARY MEDICAL ASSOCIATION. HSM

JULY 28 – A NEW REPORT FROM DUKE UNIVERSITY SUGGESTS WOMEN WHO ARE AT RISK FOR ALZHEIMER'S FACE A STEEPER DECLINE THAN MEN. THE CAUSE ISN'T CLEAR, BUT COULD INVOLVE HORMONE CHANGES DECADES EARLIER. WPTF'S SCOTT BRIGGAMAN SPOKE WITH DR. MURALI DORAISWAMY (MOHR-UH-LIE - DERR-A-SWAHMI) , PROFESSOR OF PSYCHIATRY AND MEDICINE AT DUKE UNIVERSITY MEDICAL CENTER IS THE SENIOR AUTHOR ON THE STUDY. HSM

JULY 28 – CANINE INFLUENZA SPREAD LIKE WILDFIRE IN LATE-SPRING THROUGH THE MIDWEST ... AND SINCE MID-JULY A HALF-DOZEN CASES HAVE BEEN CONFIRMED IN NORTH CAROLINA. TO LEARN ABOUT CIRCUMSTANCES OF THE CONFIRMED CASES, JOSH ZACH SPOKE WITH DR. PATRICIA NORRIS -- DIRECTOR OF THE STATE AG DEPARTMENT'S ANIMAL WELFARE OFFICE -- WHO SAYS THE BULK OF THE RISK IS ASSOCIATED WITH *SHELTERS AND BOARDING FACILITIES*. HSM

AUGUST 4 – WE'VE ALL EXPERIENCED THE KID THAT WON'T EAT, OR WILL ONLY EAT A SMALL VARIETY OF FOODS. MANY FAMILIES SEE PICKY EATING AS A PHASE TO GROW OUT OF, BUT NEW RESEARCH SUGGESTS THAT **EVEN** MODERATE PICKY EATING CAN HAVE NEGATIVE EFFECTS ON A CHILD'S HEALTH. JOSH ZACH SPOKE WITH DR. NANCY ZUCKER, DIRECTOR OF THE DUKE CENTER FOR EATING DISORDERS, AND LEAD AUTHOR OF THE NEW STUDY. HSM

AUGUST 21 – THE AFFORDABLE CARE ACT (ACA), BETTER KNOWN AS OBAMACARE, HAS ESTABLISHED A NUMBER OF RESTRICTIONS AND TAXES ON EMPLOYER-PROVIDED GROUP HEALTH PLANS WHICH CAN HURT

SMALL BUSINESSES. A FREQUENT OBAMACARE CRITIC, REP. RENEE ELLMERS TALKS WITH BILL LUMAYE ON OUR SISTER STATION TALK RADIO 850 ABOUT THE TAX THAT SPECIFICALLY IS ASSOCIATED WITH SMALL BUSINESSES. HSM

AUGUST 21 – WITH STUDENTS HEADING BACK TO SCHOOL, THERE'S A HEALTH WARNING FOR PARENTS. HEAD LICE ARE GRADUATING TO A NEW THREAT LEVEL IN HALF THE NATION'S STATES AND RESISTING COMMONLY-USED DRUGS. DR. HOLLY PHILLIPS SHARES TIPS FOR PARENTS. HSM

AUGUST 31 – THE NUMBER OF CHILDREN IN THE U.S. WITH PEANUT ALLERGIES HAS BEEN GROWING FOR YEARS, AND NOW PEDIATRICIANS ARE OFFERING PARENTS SOME NEW ADVICE THAT MAY HELP COMBAT THE TREND. "CBS THIS MORNING" TALKS WITH CBS CONTRIBUTORS DR. HOLLY PHILLIPS AND DR. TARA NARULA ABOUT THE RECOMMENDATION TO GIVE KIDS WITH HIGH RISK FOR ALLERGIES TO BE GIVEN FOODS WITH PEANUTS BEFORE THEY TURN ONE. HSM

SEPTEMBER 16 – PROSTATE CANCER IS THE SECOND MOST COMMON CANCER IN AMERICAN MEN. BUT IT'S BOTH SCREENABLE AND CURABLE IF FOUND EARLY, WHICH IS WHY DUKE MEDICINE IS REMINDING ALL MEN ABOUT ITS ANNUAL FREE SCREENING EVENTS, THIS WEEKEND. JOSH ZACH DISCUSSES THE IMPORTANCE OF GETTING SCREENED WITH DR. NADINE BARRETT AT THE DUKE CANCER INSTITUTE. HSM

#### **IA- International Affairs**

AUGUST 11 - TOM KEARNEY SHOW-WPTF PART-TIME STAFFER STEPHANIE MANGUM WHO HAS RECENTLY BEEN TO CUBA IA

AUGUST 12 - TOM KEARNEY SHOW-70 YEARS AGO-V-E TO V-J DAY AND THE END TO WORLD WAR II-MILITARY HISTORIAN DR. JOE CADDELL VISITS IA

AUGUST 13 – A PHOTO POSTED ON SOCIAL MEDIA BY AN EGYPTIAN BRANCH OF ISIS PURPORTS TO SHOW THE BEHEADED BODY OF A CROATIAN OIL WORKER ABDUCTED BY THE TERROR GROUP IN LATE JULY. A CAPTION SAYS THE MAN WAS KILLED BECAUSE OF CROATIA'S PARTICIPATION IN THE WAR AGAINST THE ISLAMIC STATE GROUP. ONE NATIONAL SECURITY ANALYST CALLS THIS IS AN ATTEMPT BY ISIS TO MARK ITS TERRITORY IN EGYPT. WPTF'S SCOTT BRIGGAMAN CONTINUES THE CONVERSATION WITH DUKE UNIVERSITY PROFESSOR DAVID SCHANZER, IS DIRECTOR OF THE TRIANGLE CENTER ON TERRORISM AND HOMELAND SECURITY AT DUKE AND UNC-CHAPEL HILL. IA

#### **NS - National Security**

JULY 21 – WOULD NORTH CAROLINA BE PREPARED TO RESPOND IN THE EVENT THAT LAST WEEK'S SHOOTINGS AT TWO MILITARY RECRUITING CENTERS IN CHATTANOOGA, TN, HAPPENED IN OUR STATE? GREGORY BAKER -- COMMISSIONER OF LAW ENFORCEMENT AT THE NORTH CAROLINA DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC SAFETY -- TELLS JOSH ZACH THAT, MUCH LIKE A SPORTS TEAM PRACTICES FOR OPPONENTS, DPS STAGES A VARIETY OF EMERGENCY DRILLS WITH MULTIPLE AGENCIES IN ORDER TO STAY SHARP AND PREPARED. NS

#### **PA – Political Affairs**

JULY 28 – DONALD TRUMP LEADS REPUBLICAN CANDIDATES IN A NATIONAL POLL AND THE ATTACKS KEEP COMING. CBS' NANCY CORDES REPORTS. PA

AUGUST 4 – COMING UP ON THURSDAY -- IT'S THE FIRST REPUBLICAN PRESIDENTIAL DEBATE... ONLY 10 HOPEFULS WILL BE ON STAGE FOR THE PRIME TIME DEBATE -- WHICH HAS DRAWN CRITICISM FROM SOME IN THE G-O-P... WPTF'S PATRICK JOHNSON GETS A PREVIEW FROM CONSERVATIVE RADIO HOST TOM LAMPRECHT. PA

AUGUST 31 – NORTH CAROLINA'S ELECTORAL MAPS ARE BACK IN THE SPOTLIGHT TODAY. THE MAPS HAVE BEEN IN THE CENTER OF LEGAL CHALLENGES SINCE THEY WERE REDRAWN AFTER THE REPUBLICANS TOOK OVER THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY. WTVD'S ANTHONY WILSON REPORTS. PA

AUGUST 31 – IF VICE PRESIDENT JOE BIDEN DECIDES TO GO FOR A PRESIDENTIAL RUN, HE FACES A TOUGH ROAD AHEAD OF HIM NOT ONLY BECAUSE HILLARY CLINTON IS A RIVAL FOR THE DEMOCRATIC CANDIDACY BUT HIS OWN POSITION IS A POTENTIAL BLOCKER. BRAIN FREEMAN TALKS WITH PAUL BEDARD OF THE WASHINGTON EXAMINER TO LEARN MORE OF THE HARM THAT THE VICE PRESIDENTIAL ROLE COULD HAVE

ON BIDEN IF HE DECIDES TO RUN AS WELL TRUMP'S RECENT EFFECT IS ON THE OTHER GOP CANDIDATES. PA

SEPTEMBER 9 – REPUBLICAN PRESIDENTIAL CANDIDATE JEB BUSH IS IN GARNER TODAY (1:30 P.M.) FOR A CAMPAIGN STOP TO OUTLINE HIS TAX POLICIES. DONNA MARTINEZ TALKED TO JONATHAN FELTZ, A POLITICAL CONSULTANT WHO IS SERVING AN ADVISER TO THE BUSH CAMPAIGN IN NORTH CAROLINA. PA

### **RE – Religion, Civil Service & Social Climate**

JULY 21 – A COLLABORATIVE STUDY BY RESEARCHERS AT NC STATE AND NYU -- STARING THIS FALL AT ROUGHLY 140 INSTITUTIONS -- WILL FOLLOW THE HIGHER ED CAREER OF INCOMING COLLEGE FRESHMEN TO TRACK THEIR CHANGES IN ATTITUDE AND BEHAVIOR ABOUT FAITH AND DIVERSITY. JOSH ZACH SPOKE WITH ONE OF THE STUDY'S LEAD RESEARCHERS, MATT MAYHEW AT NYU, TO DISCUSS THE COMPONENTS OF THE RESEARCH, BEGINNING WITH DATA FROM THE PEW RESEARCH CENTER THAT SHOWS THE NUMBER OF U.S. ADULTS WHO DO NOT IDENTIFY WITH ANY ORGANIZED RELIGION IS GROWING. RE

### **SO – Social Media**

JULY 13 – IN THE WAKE OF THE SOUTH CAROLINA CHURCH SHOOTING, THE FLAG BECAME A FLASHPOINT. DECADES OF DEBATE OVER THE CONFEDERACY'S BANNER TRANSITIONED INTO A CAMPAIGN TO REMOVE THE FLAG FROM THE GROUNDS OF SOUTH CAROLINA'S STATE CAPITAL AFTER FLYING THERE FOR MORE THAN 50 YEARS. CBS' OMAR VILLAFRANCA REPORTS. SO

JULY 13 – MANY NORTH CAROLINA KIDS ARE ENJOYING SUMMER VACATION FROM SCHOOL RIGHT NOW, BUT FOR KIDS WHOSE FAMILIES ARE STRUGGLING TO GET BY, SUMMER CAN BE A REAL CHALLENGE. IN FACT FOR SOME, SUMMER CAN BRING THE PROSPECT OF GOING HUNGRY SOMETIME DURING THE DAY. AN ORGANIZATION TRYING TO MITIGATE THIS PROBLEM IS SHARE OUR STRENGTH. DONNA MARTINEZ HAD A CHANCE TO SPEAK WITH ASSOCIATE DIRECTOR OF ADVOCACY, LUCY MELCHER. SO

JULY 21 – WHEN YOU'RE IN YOUR 30S AND 40S, YOU TEND TO NEED MORE SPACE TO ACCOMMODATE THE KIDS, THE TOYS, AND THE CARS. BUT MORE AND MORE 40- AND 50-SOMETHINGS ARE EYEING AN OPPOSITE TREND: THEY'RE DITCHING THE STUFF AND DOWNSIZING. DONNA MARTINEZ JOINS BRIAN FREEMAN WITH THIS EYE ON LIFESTYLE. SO

JULY 28 – THE LATEST MORAL MONDAY DEMONSTRATION CENTERED AROUND A PIECE OF LEGISLATION PASSED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY THAT THE NAACP FEELS PROTECTS MONUMENTS THAT REFLECT THE CONFEDERACY. JEFF HAMLIN REPORTS. SO

AUGUST 4 – RESEARCHERS AT NC STATE COME OUT WITH SOME INTERESTING NEWS ABOUT THE SOUTHERN ACCENT. ACCORDING TO THE STUDY, THE SOUTHERN DRAWL IS SLOWLY DISAPPEARING IN OUR STATE. BRIAN FREEMAN TALKS WITH BOB GEOLAS, PRESIDENT AND CEO OF THE RESEARCH TRIANGLE FOUNDATION OF NORTH CAROLINA, TO GET THE DETAILS. SO

AUGUST 13 – OUR DEPENDENCE ON SMARTPHONES CONTINUES TO GROW, REACHING ADDICTIVE LEVELS FOR MANY, ACCORDING TO THE SECOND ANNUAL BANK OF AMERICA TRENDS IN CONSUMER MOBILITY REPORT. BRANDON DICKSON SPOKE WITH MICHELLE MOORE- HEAD OF DIGITAL BANKING- TO FIND OUT JUST HOW RELIANT WE ARE ON OUR MOBILE DEVICES. SO

AUGUST 13 – KIDS ON A TRADITIONAL CALENDAR HEAD BACK TO SCHOOL IN A FEW WEEKS. THAT MEANS PARENTS, BETWEEN NOW AND THEN, WILL PONY UP FOR NEW SHOES, NEW SHIRTS, AND THIS SEASON'S FLASHIEST TRAPPER KEEPER. BUT THERE IS GOOD NEWS: TREY BODGE AT RETAIL ME NOT DOT COM TELLS JOSH ZACH THAT THEIR LATEST SURVEY ON BACK TO SCHOOL SHOPPING FINDS THAT PARENTS WILL LIKELY SPEND LESS THAN THEY DID A YEAR AGO. SO

AUGUST 21 – RECENTLY, CHILDREN'S HOPE ALLIANCE AND BENCHMARKS CELEBRATED THE PASSING OF THE FAMILY FOSTER CARE ACT. BRANDON DICKSON SPOKE WITH CELESTE DOMINGUEZ (SAH-LEST, DUH-MING-EZ)- WITH THE CHILDREN'S HOPE ALLIANCE- TO FIND OUT MORE ON THE LEGISLATION AND IT'S IMPACT. SO

SEPTEMBER 9 – A NORTH CAROLINA TEEN FACES SEX CRIME CHARGES FOR ALLEGEDLY EXCHANGING NUDE PHOTOS WITH HIS GIRLFRIEND. BUT PROSECUTORS CONSIDER BOTH TEENAGERS, WHO WERE 16

YEARS OLD AT THE TIME, TO BE VICTIMS AND CRIMINALS. CBS NEWS LEGAL EXPERT AND FORMER SEX CRIMES PROSECUTOR RIKKI KLEIMAN DISCUSSES THE CASE. SO

SEPTEMBER 9 – ANOTHER IPHONE IS COMING, BUT THEY'RE COMING WITH A \$600 TO \$900 PRICE TAG ATTACHED. BRIAN FREEMAN TALKS WITH GREGG STEBBEN OF MENSHEALTH.COM/RADIO TO LEARN OF SOME SMARTPHONE ALTERNATIVES TO SAVE YOU MONEY WHEN YOU GO PHONE SHOPPING. SO

### **SP – Sports/Games/Races**

JULY 6 – THE WORLD'S MOST FAMOUS BIKE RACE -- THE TOUR DE FRANCE -- BEGAN ON SATURDAY; THIS YEAR'S RIDE WILL COVER ALMOST 2,100 MILES OF THE FRENCH COUNTRYSIDE BEFORE RIDERS CROSS THE FINISH LINE IN PARIS ON JULY 26TH. IT'S A STORIED EVENT, BUT CYCLING STILL HAS A BLACK EYE FROM THE PERFORMANCE-ENHANCING SCANDAL THAT DISCREDITED LANCE ARMSTRONG AND NEARLY DESTROYED THE ENTIRE SPORT. JOSH ZACH TALKED ABOUT THE CONTROVERSY WITH GREG LEMOND, THREE-TIME CHAMPION OF THE TOUR DE FRANCE. SP

JULY 7 - TOM KEARNEY SHOW - DAVE CHASE TALKS BASEBALL – SP

AUGUST 21 – FRESH OFF AN 8-WIN SEASON THAT SAW THEM BEAT RIVAL UNC AND MAKE A BOWL GAME, THE NC STATE FOOTBALL TEAM IS LOOKING TO DO EVEN MORE DAMAGE THIS YEAR. BRANDON DICKSON SPOKE WITH WOLFPACK HEAD COACH DAVE DOEREN TO GET HIS THOUGHTS ON LAST SEASON, AMONG OTHER TOPICS. SP

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PA BLOCK FOR JULY 4/5

### **PEOPLE IN POLITICS**

HE WANTS TO OUST GOV. PAT MCCRORY FROM OFFICE, BUT HE'LL HAVE TO GET PAST FELLOW DEMOCRAT AND PRESUMED GUBERNATORIAL CANDIDATE ROY COOPER BEFORE HE CAN TAKE ON MCCRORY. HOST DONNA MARTINEZ TALKS WITH DEMOCRAT KEN SPAULDING, A DURHAM ATTORNEY AND FORMER STATE LEGISLATOR, ABOUT HIS QUEST FOR HIS PARTY'S NOMINATION, HIS VIEW THAT REPUBLICANS HAVE TAKEN THE STATE IN THE WRONG DIRECTION, AND HIS DISAGREEMENTS WITH THE ATTORNEY GENERAL COOPER. THEN WE TURN TO THE CONTINUED DEBATE OVER WHAT CONSTITUTES A FAIR AND COMPETITIVE ELECTION MAP. MARTINEZ TALKS WITH JANE PINSKY OF THE NORTH CAROLINA COALITION FOR LOBBYING AND GOVERNMENT REFORM ABOUT A RECENT U.S. SUPREME COURT DECISION ON THE SUBJECT OF REDISTRICTING. PINSKY EXPLAINS THE ARIZONA DECISION, THE INDIRECT IMPLICATIONS IT HAS FOR NORTH CAROLINA, AND WHY IT IS SO DIFFICULT TO CONVINCE THE POLITICAL PARTY IN CHARGE -- DEMOCRATS OR REPUBLICANS – TO GIVE UP THE POWER TO DRAW DISTRICTS TO AN INDEPENDENT COMMISSION. NEXT IS A LOOK THE CONTROVERSY OVER WHICH OF THE NEARLY 20 PRESIDENTIAL CANDIDATES WILL MAKE IT INTO NETWORK TELEVISION DEBATES. PAUL BEDARD OF THE WASHINGTON EXAMINER TELLS MARTINEZ WHY SOME OF THE GOP CANDIDATES ARE UNHAPPY AND WHY IT WILL BE TOUGHER FOR SOME TO INCREASE THEIR NAME RECOGNITION. THAT'S FOLLOWED BY REMARKS FROM GOV. PAT MCCRORY ABOUT HIS PROPOSAL TO PUT TWO BOND PACKAGES ON THE NOVEMBER BALLOT, AND WHAT HE MOST APPRECIATES ABOUT BEING GOVERNOR. HE MADE HIS COMMENTS TO DON CURTIS ON A RECENT EDITION OF CAROLINA NEWSMAKERS.

### **CAROLINA NEWSMAKERS**

“INTERVIEW WITH PAUL MEYER, EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR OF THE NORTH CAROLINA LEAGUE OF MUNICIPALITIES

BACKGROUND ON THE NORTH CAROLINA LEAGUE OF MUNICIPALITIES, CONCERNS ON TAX POLICY, REPEAL OF THE PRIVILEGE LICENSE TAX, SALES TAX BREAKDOWN, JURISDICTION OF SCHOOL SYSTEMS, POWELL BILL, MAINTENANCE OF SEWER AND WATER SYSTEMS, ANNEXATION STATUS, REALLOCATION OF THE RETAIL SALES TAX, HOW BILLS GET PASSED IN NC LEGISLATURE, TRANSPORTATION TAXES, CONSOLIDATION OF SERVICES, POPULATION DRAIN, CONSOLIDATING EMERGENCY SERVICES, MUNICIPAL ELECTIONS, TAX INCENTIVES IMPACT ON CITIES, STATE HISTORIC TAX CREDIT, AND CITY ORDINANCES.

PA BLOCK FOR JULY 11/12

#### PEOPLE IN POLITICS

IT'S PRISON TIME FOR A FORMER STATE LEGISLATOR! THIS WEEK, FORMER REPUBLICAN LAWMAKER STEPHEN LAROQUE OF KINSTON HEARD HIS FATE FROM A DISTRICT COURT JUDGE AS HE WAS SENTENCED FOR USING TAXPAYER FUNDS ON HIMSELF RATHER THAN THE NONPROFIT RURAL ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT ORGANIZATION HE OPERATED. HOST DONNA MARTINEZ GETS DETAILS OF THE SENTENCE AND THE CRIME FROM CAROLINA JOURNAL MANAGING EDITOR RICK HENDERSON. THEN THE TWO DISCUSS THE NEW ELECTION FILING PERIOD, WHICH BEGAN THIS WEEK FOR FALL MUNICIPAL ELECTIONS, AS WELL AS NEWS THAT DEMOCRATIC PRESIDENTIAL NOMINEE HILLARY CLINTON WILL VISIT NORTH CAROLINA FOR A FUNDRAISER, AND POLLING DATA THAT SHOWS GOV. PAT MCCRORY WITH A LEAD OVER HIS PRESUMED DEMOCRATIC GUBERNATORIAL OPPONENT ROY COOPER. THAT'S FOLLOWED BY A LOOK AT THE FASCINATING REPUBLICAN PRIMARY RACE THAT'S UNDERWAY FOR NORTH CAROLINA'S 2ND DISTRICT CONGRESSIONAL SEAT. INCUMBENT RENEE ELLMERS HAS ALREADY DRAWN A CHALLENGE FROM TWO FELLOW REPUBLICANS WHO SAY SHE WAS ELECTED AS A CONSERVATIVE BUT ISN'T GOVERNING TO THOSE PRINCIPLES. MARTINEZ TALKS WITH JIM DUNCAN, THE FORMER HEAD OF THE CHATHAM COUNTY REPUBLICAN PARTY, ABOUT WHY HE BELIEVES HE'S A BETTER FIT FOR THE DISTRICT.

#### CAROLINA NEWSMAKERS

"INTERVIEW WITH BECKI GRAY", VICE PRESIDENT OF OUTREACH AT THE JOHN LOCKE FOUNDATION

LEGISLATIVE SESSION IN NORTH CAROLINA, ROLE OF THE UNAFFILIATED VOTER, ROLE OF NORTH CAROLINA AS A SWING STATE, FINALIZING THE STATE BUDGET, TAX REFORM, IMPACT OF THE CORPORATE TAX, SALES TAX REDISTRIBUTION, IMPACT OF BUSINESS TO BUSINESS TAXES, EMERGING LEADERS IN THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY, POTENTIAL CHALLENGERS TO RICHARD BURR'S SENATE SEAT, AND IMPACT OF DEFERRED MAINTENANCE.

PA BLOCK FOR JULY 18/19

#### PEOPLE IN POLITICS

A CLASH OUTSIDE A WINSTON-SALEM COURTROOM THIS WEEK AS OPPONENTS AND PROPONENTS OF NORTH CAROLINA'S 2013 ELECTION LAW CHANGES MADE THEIR CASES TO THE MEDIA AS THE LEGAL WRANGLING GOT UNDERWAY INSIDE. YOU'LL HEAR COMMENTS FROM THE NAACP-LED OPPOSITION ABOUT THEIR VIEW THAT REPUBLICAN LAWMAKERS INTENTIONALLY CHANGED VOTING LAWS TO TRY AND KEEP MINORITIES, THE ELDERLY, AND THE POOR FROM VOTING. THAT'S FOLLOWED BY COMMENTS FROM HASAN HARNETT, THE FIRST AFRICAN-AMERICAN CHAIRMAN OF THE N.C. REPUBLICAN PARTY, WHO DEFENDS THE LAW AND CALLS OUT THE OPPOSITION FOR WHAT HE SAYS IS SIMPLY POLITICAL MANEUVERING WITH UNION HELP. THEN HOST DONNA MARTINEZ GETS PERSPECTIVE ON THE LEGAL CASE FROM CAROLINA JOURNAL MANAGING EDITOR RICK HENDERSON. THE TWO ALSO DISCUSS NEWS THAT YET ANOTHER STATE DEMOCRAT – SEN. JOSH STEIN OF WAKE COUNTY – IS TAKING A PASS ON CHALLENGING SEN. RICHARD BURR FOR RE-ELECTION TO HIS U.S. SENATE SEAT. MEANTIME, FUNDRAISING RECORDS SHOW BURR IS HAULING IN THE CASH, AS HENDERSON EXPLAINS. AND FINALLY, GOV. PAT MCCRORY TALKS ABOUT WHY THE IMPORTANCE OF A NEW MENTAL HEALTH TASK FORCE TO PROVIDING HELP TO NORTH CAROLINIANS. HIS COMMENTS CAME AT THE SIGNING CEREMONY FOR AN EXECUTIVE ORDER.

#### CAROLINA NEWSMAKERS

"INTERVIEW WITH LEE ROBERTS", STATE BUDGET OFFICER OF THE OFFICE OF STATE BUDGET AND MANAGEMENT

STATE BUDGET PROCESS, INFLUENCE OF MEDICAID ON THE STATE BUDGET, IMPACT OF TAX REFORM, MAJOR SOURCES OF TAX REVENUE, FUNDING TRANSPORTATION, PROPOSED BOND REFERENDUM, BOND PROPOSALS FOR CITIES, CHALLENGES PRESENTED BY HAVING PROSPEROUS AND STRUGGLING PORTIONS OF THE STATE, IMPACT OF THE RESEARCH UNIVERSITIES, GROWTH POTENTIAL WITH NORTH CAROLINA PORTS, GROWING RETIREMENT COMMUNITY IN NORTH CAROLINA, AND FINALIZING THE STATE BUDGET.

PA BLOCK FOR JULY 25/26

## PEOPLE IN POLITICS

AS DEMOCRAT HILLARY CLINTON LANDS IN RALEIGH FOR A HIGH-DOLLAR FUNDRAISER, LEGISLATORS MOVE CLOSER TO A DATE FOR NORTH CAROLINA'S PRESIDENTIAL PRIMARY. IT'S ALL PART OF AN EFFORT TO GIVE NORTH CAROLINA A BIGGER IMPACT ON CHOOSING THE NOMINEES FOR PRESIDENT. HOST DONNA MARTINEZ GETS THE LATEST ON THE "WHEN WILL IT BE" QUESTION FROM RICK HENDERSON OF CAROLINA JOURNAL. THE TWO ALSO DISCUSS THE "WHO'S WHO" OF THE DEMOCRATIC PARTY ELITE WHO WERE ON HAND TO GREET CLINTON IN RALEIGH – WITH FORMER GOVERNORS BEVERLY PERDUE AND JIM HUNT LEADING THE PACK. HENDERSON ALSO DELVES INTO THE PUBLIC DISAGREEMENT OVER SALES TAX DISTRIBUTION BETWEEN GOV. PAT MCCRORY AND STATE SEN. HARRY BROWN, AND MARTINEZ AND HENDERSON LOOK AT FUNDRAISING TOTALS FOR TWO NORTH CAROLINA CONGRESSMEN – DAVID PRICE OF THE 4TH DISTRICT AND VIRGINIA FOXX OF THE 5TH. THAT'S FOLLOWED BY MARTINEZ' CONVERSATION WITH DEMOCRATIC POLITICAL CONSULTANT THOMAS MILLS, WHO OFFERS PERSPECTIVE ON THE DEMOCRATS' CHALLENGE TO THE STATE ELECTION LAW CHANGES AND THE LIKELY TURNOUT AMONG DEMOCRATS FOR THE 2016 PRESIDENTIAL RACE. AND FINALLY, WE LOOK AT THE INTERSECTION OF POLITICS AND POLICY IN A HIGH-PROFILE DISPUTE OVER AN EPA RULE. ROSS EISENBERG OF THE NATIONAL ASSOCIATION OF MANUFACTURERS TELLS MARTINEZ WHY HIS GROUP OPPOSES THE NEW REGULATION AND HOW THE ISSUE BREAKS DOWN IN POLITICAL TERMS.

## CAROLINA NEWSMAKERS

"INTERVIEW WITH WAYNE GOODWIN", INSURANCE COMMISSIONER AND FIRE MARSHALL OF THE STATE OF NORTH CAROLINA

BACKGROUND ON THE INSURANCE COMMISSIONER POSITION, LIMITED AUTHORITY OVER HEALTH INSURANCE, HOMEOWNERS INSURANCE, HOMEOWNER INSURANCE PROVIDERS, IMPORTANCE OF INSURANCE RIDERS, ROLE AS FIRE MARSHALL, INCREASE IN FIRE SAFETY, FIRE FIGHTERS AND THEIR DUTIES, IMPORTANCE OF VOLUNTEER FIRE FIGHTERS, IMPACT OF WATER SYSTEMS ON FIRE FIGHTERS, CHANGES IN TECHNOLOGY FOR FIRE FIGHTERS, BUNDLING INSURANCE POLICIES, AUTOMOBILE INSURANCE, IMPROVEMENTS IN AUTOMOBILE TECHNOLOGY, CAPTIVE INSURANCE, OPERATION MEDICINE DROP AND DISPOSAL OF PRESCRIPTION DRUGS, INSURANCE FRAUD, AND LIFE INSURANCE POLICY REFORM

PA BLOCK FOR AUGUST 1/2

## PEOPLE IN POLITICS

HE'S GONE! TRANSPORTATION SECRETARY TONY TATA'S RESIGNATION HAS POLICY WONKS DEBATING HIS LEGACY AND POLITICAL PUNDITS BUZZING ABOUT A POTENTIAL RUN FOR U.S. CONGRESS. YOU'LL HEAR TONY TATA DISCUSS WHY HE LEFT HIS JOB AND WHAT COULD COME NEXT FOR HIM IN LIGHT OF A BIG BOOK DEAL FROM HIS PUBLISHER. THEN HOST DONNA MARTINEZ GETS REACTION TO THE TATA DEPARTURE AND THE POLITICAL RUMORS FROM RICK HENDERSON OF CAROLINA JOURNAL, WHO TELLS MARTINEZ WHAT HE'S HEARD ABOUT TATA'S DESIRE FOR A SEAT IN CONGRESS. THE TWO ALSO DISCUSS A POTENTIAL PRIMARY CHALLENGE FOR 12TH DISTRICT DEMOCRATIC CONGRESSWOMAN ALMA ADAMS, AND THE POLITICAL INTRIGUE CREATED ON CAPITAL HILL BY N.C. CONGRESSMAN MARK MEADOWS, WHO HAS CALLED FOR THE IMMEDIATE OUSTER OF HOUSE SPEAKER JOHN BOEHNER. MARTINEZ AND HENDERSON TALK ABOUT REACTION FROM MEADOWS' FELLOW REPUBLICANS IN THE NORTH CAROLINA DELEGATION AND WHERE THE LINES OF LOYALTY TO THE SPEAKER COULD BE DRAWN. THEY ALSO LOOK AT NEW FUNDRAISING NUMBERS FOR WAKE COUNTY SEN. JOSH STEIN, THE DEMOCRAT WIDELY RUMORED TO BE EYEING A RUN FOR ATTORNEY GENERAL IF AND WHEN ROY COOPER MAKES IT OFFICIAL THAT HE WILL SEEK THE DEMOCRATIC PARTY'S NOMINATION FOR GOVERNOR. THEN WE HEAR THE FIERY REBUKE AGAINST NORTH CAROLINA REPUBLICANS ISSUED BY THE REVEREND WILLIAM BARBER, HEAD OF THE N.C. NAACP. BARBER MADE HIS COMMENTS AT A NEWS CONFERENCE. THAT'S FOLLOWED BY MARTINEZ'S TALK



WITH ONE DEMOCRAT WHO DOESN'T LIKE THAT PUNDITS BELIEVE THE DEMOCRAT'S GUBERNATORIAL NOMINATION IS ROY COOPER'S IF HE WANTS IT. DURHAM ATTORNEY KEN SPAULDING TELLS MARTINEZ WHY HE'S RUNNING FOR THE NOMINATION AND HOW HE DIFFERS FROM COOPER. AND FINALLY, MARTINEZ AND JANE PINSKY DISCUSS THE CONTINUING EFFORTS ACROSS THE IDEOLOGICAL SPECTRUM TO CHANGE THE WAY NORTH CAROLINA DRAWS ITS ELECTION DISTRICTS. PINSKY'S GROUP, THE N.C. COALITION FOR LOBBYING AND GOVERNMENT REFORM, HAS WAGED THE EFFORT FOR A DECADE.

## CAROLINA NEWSMAKERS

"INTERVIEW WITH JUNE ATKINSON", SUPERINTENDENT OF PUBLIC INSTRUCTION OF THE STATE OF NORTH CAROLINA

EDUCATION REFORM IN NORTH CAROLINA, EVALUATIONS OF EARLY EDUCATION, FUNDING EDUCATION, IMPROVING STUGGLING AND GIFTED STUDENTS, ROLE OF ADVANCED PLACEMENT COURSES, COORDINATION WITH UNC SYSTEM AND COMMUNITY COLLEGE SYSTEM, RECRUITING AND KEEPING TEACHERS IN NORTH CAROLINA, CHANGES IN TEACHER PREPARATION PROGRAMS, FACTORS FOR GREAT SCHOOLS, DUTIES OF A PRINCIPAL, HOW POVERTY AFFECTS SCHOOL SUCCESS, PER CAPITA SPENDING ON EDUCATION, DISCIPLINE IN SCHOOLS, BULLYING, DISTANCE LEARNING AND DEVELOPING TECHNOLOGY IN EDUCATION, IMPACT OF UNCERTAINTY REGARDING GENERAL ASSEMBLY AND FINALIZING THE BUDGET, AND EVALUATING K-12 SYSTEM

PA BLOCK FOR AUGUST 8/9

## PEOPLE IN POLITICS

AFTER A HARD-FOUGHT BATTLE TO REFORM THE STATE'S ELECTION LAW, THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY SURPRISED MANY WHEN IT CHANGED THE RULES TO THE REQUIREMENT THAT NORTH CAROLINIANS PRESENT A PHOTO IDENTIFICATION TO VOTE BEGINNING IN 2016. A KEY SENATE LEADER, BOB RUCHO OF MECKLENBURG COUNTY, EXPLAINS WHY LAWMAKERS REVISED THE LAW FOLLOWING HOWLS OF COMPLAINTS FROM DEMOCRATS AND THEIR ALLIED GROUPS. THEN HOST DONNA MARTINEZ GETS ANALYSIS OF THE CHANGES FROM RICK HENDERSON, MANAGING EDITOR OF CAROLINA JOURNAL. THE TWO ALSO DISCUSS THE CONTINUING TUG-OF-WAR BETWEEN GOV. PAT MCCRORY AND THE LEGISLATURE OVER WHETHER TWO TRANSPORTATION AND INFRASTRUCTURE BONDS WILL BE PUT ON THE NOVEMBER BALLOT, AND NEWS THAT SEN. KAY HAGAN HAS FINALLY SAID SHE WILL NOT SEEK TO CHALLENGE SEN. RICHARD BURR FOR HIS SENATE SEAT. THEY ALSO DISCUSS THE POWER PLAY IN CONGRESS THAT SAW NORTH CAROLINA CONGRESSMAN MARK MEADOWS BOOTED FROM HIS SUBCOMMITTEE CHAIRMANSHIP OVER HIS TRADE AUTHORITY VOTE, WHICH WENT AGAINST HOUSE SPEAKER JOHN BOEHNER. THEN MARTINEZ TALKS WITH CANDIDATE HEATHER GRANT ABOUT HER RUN TO BE THE NEXT STATE INSURANCE COMMISSIONER. GRANT IS A REPUBLICAN MILITARY VETERAN WHO PREVIOUSLY SOUGHT THE GOP NOMINATION FOR U.S. SENATE. THEY DISCUSS GRANT'S BACKGROUND IN INSURANCE AND VIEWS ON THE AFFORDABLE CARE ACT AND THE DUTIES OF THE INSURANCE POST. DEMOCRAT WAYNE GOODWIN NOW HOLDS THE JOB.

## CAROLINA NEWSMAKERS

"INTERVIEW WITH BETH WOOD", STATE AUDITOR OF NORTH CAROLINA

BACKGROUND ON OFFICE OF STATE AUDITOR, TYPES OF AUDITS, TECHNOLOGY AND INEFFICIENCIES IN STATE GOVERNMENT, BIG DATA, LACK OF INCENTIVES TO SAVE IN STATE GOVERNMENT, GETTING INTO PUBLIC OFFICE, FREQUENCY AND DURATION OF AUDITS, AUDIT PROCESS, STATE AUDITOR STAFF, RECENT AUDITS, NORTH CAROLINA ETHICS LAW, FRAUD AND ABUSE, IMPACT OF CURRENT LEGISLATIVE SESSION, AUDITS OF STATE AGENCIES, AND SUNDOWN PROVISIONS

PA BLOCK FOR AUGUST 15/16

## PEOPLE IN POLITICS

THIS WEEK WE LEARN ABOUT THE FBI CONDUCTING AN INQUIRY INTO THE BUSINESS DEALINGS OF 9TH DISTRICT CONGRESSMAN ROBERT PITTENGER. HOST DONNA MARTINEZ GETS THE DETAILS FROM CAROLINA JOURNAL MANAGING EDITOR RICK HENDERSON, WHO SAYS PITTENGER CONFIRMED THE INQUIRY TO CHARLOTTE MEDIA BUT SAYS HE'S NOT SURE WHY QUESTIONS ARE BEING ASKED ABOUT THE

REAL ESTATE OPERATION HE LEFT UPON TAKING HIS SEAT IN CONGRESS IN 2013. THEN THE TWO DISCUSS THE ROLE CONGRESSMAN PATRICK MCHENRY IS PLAYING IN THE PRESIDENTIAL CAMPAIGN OF FORMER FLORIDA GOV. JEB BUSH, AND BUZZ THAT FORMER STATE LEGISLATOR DEBORAH ROSS IS IN DISCUSSIONS ABOUT A POTENTIAL RUN AGAINST SEN. RICHARD BURR. HENDERSON ALSO UPDATES MARTINEZ ON THE RACE FOR LT. GOVERNOR, AS AT LEAST ONE MORE DEMOCRAT CONSIDERS SEEKING THE PARTY'S NOMINATION TO CHALLENGE REPUBLICAN DAN FOREST. THEN MARTINEZ TALKS WITH CATAWBA COLLEGE POLITICAL SCIENCE PROFESSOR MICHAEL BITZER ABOUT THE PRESIDENTIAL RACE. WITH MEDIA FOCUSING ON THE REPUBLICANS AND THE FIRST MAJOR TELEVISED DEBATE, WHAT DOES IT ALL MEAN FOR DEMOCRATS? AT LEAST FOUR DEMOCRATS ARE NOW IN THE RACE FOR THE PARTY'S NOMINATION, WITH FORMER VERMONT SEN. BERNIE SANDERS DRAWING THOUSANDS TO HIS RALLIES, TURNING ON ITS HEAD THE CONVENTIONAL WISDOM ABOUT A CLINTON CAKEWALK TO THE NOMINATION. BITZER ASSESSES THE CHALLENGE CLINTON FACES IN FENDING OFF SANDERS, A SELF-IDENTIFIED SOCIALIST WITH APPEAL TO THE PARTY'S LEFT WING, AND JIM WEBB, LINCOLN CHAFEE AND MARTIN O'MALLEY, WHO APPEAL TO CENTRIST AND PRO-BUSINESS DEMOCRATS.

#### CAROLINA NEWSMAKERS

"INTERVIEW WITH MIKE WALDEN", WILLIAM NEAL REYNOLDS DISTINGUISHED PROFESSOR OF AGRICULTURAL AND RESOURCE ECONOMICS AT NC STATE UNIVERSITY

EMPLOYMENT TRENDS IN NORTH CAROLINA, ATTRACTING AUTOMOBILE MANUFACTURERS, FUTURE OF THE NORTH CAROLINA ECONOMY, INFLUENCE OF VALUATION OF CHINESE CURRENCY, ECONOMIC RELATIONSHIP BETWEEN UNITED STATES AND CHINA, IMPACT OF OPENING TRADE WITH CUBA, CAUSES OF FLUXUATION OF GAS PRICES, ANALYZING BUDGET NEGOTIATIONS IN THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY, SALES TAX REVENUE FOR COUNTIES, MEDICAID SPENDING, INTEREST RATES, ISSUES WITH GREECE, INFLATION RATE, AND GLOBAL OUTLOOK.

PA BLOCK FOR AUGUST 22/23

#### PEOPLE IN POLITICS

THIS WEEK FORMER STATE LEGISLATOR STEPHEN LAROQUE ENTERED A FEDERAL PRISON IN BUTNER. THE KINSTON REPUBLICAN RECEIVED A PRISON SENTENCE FOR HIS MISDEEDS RELATED TO USE OF FEDERAL TAXPAYER DOLLARS MEANT FOR A NONPROFIT HE RAN BUT WAS USED, IN PART, ON ITEMS FOR HIMSELF AND HIS FAMILY. HOST DONNA MARTINEZ TALKS WITH SARAH OVASKA, THE INVESTIGATIVE REPORTER FOR N.C. POLICY WATCH WHO BROKE THE STORY. SHE RECOUNTS THE INVESTIGATION AND A LETTER LAROQUE SENT TO MEDIA JUST DAYS BEFORE HE ENTERED PRISON IN WHICH HE CALLS HIS PROSECUTION A "WITCH HUNT." THEN WE HEAR REMARKS FROM THE REV. WILLIAM BARBER, HEAD OF NORTH CAROLINA'S NAACP, ABOUT THE GROUP'S' CONTINUING EFFORTS TOWARD EQUALITY AND JUSTICE. HE MADE THE COMMENTS AT A NEWS CONFERENCE THIS WEEK. THAT'S FOLLOWED BY COMMENTS FROM GOV. PAT MCCRORY AS HE SIGNED A BILL INTO LAW THAT ALLOWS NATIONAL GUARD MEMBERS WITH CONCEALED CARRY PERMITS TO CARRY GUNS AT STATE BUILDINGS INCLUDING RECRUITING OFFICES. THE GOVERNOR EXPLAINS HIS SUPPORT FOR THE LAW AND ADDRESSES THE SPECIAL BURDENS OF MILITARY FAMILIES. THEN WE GET AN UPDATE ON THE POLITICS AT PLAY IN THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY AS NEGOTIATIONS CONTINUE OVER FUNDING THE STATE'S SPENDING AND TAXING PLAN. CAROLINA JOURNAL MANAGING EDITOR RICK HENDERSON TELLS MARTINEZ ABOUT AN AGREEMENT ON SPENDING LEVELS BETWEEN THE GOVERNOR AND SENATE AND HOUSE LEADERSHIP. THE TWO ALSO DISCUSS THE HIRING OF FORMER RALEIGH MAYOR PAUL COBLE AS THE NEW MANAGER OF THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY, AS WELL AS THE LATEST IN THE FBI INQUIRY OF 9TH DISTRICT CONGRESSMAN ROBERT PITTENGER'S BUSINESS DEALINGS AND THE LATEST SPECULATION ABOUT WHICH DEMOCRAT WILL STEP FORWARD TO CHALLENGE REPUBLICAN INCUMBENT SEN. RICHARD BURR.

#### CAROLINA NEWSMAKERS

"INTERVIEW WITH ANDY TAYLOR", NC STATE PROFESSOR OF POLITICAL SCIENCE

HILLARY CLINTON USE OF PRIVATE EMAIL ACCOUNT AND IMPACT OF STORY ON HER PRESIDENTIAL CAMPAIGN, EARLY CAMPAIGNING, PROSPECTS OF JOE BIDEN ENTERING THE PRESIDENTIAL RACE, VICE PRESIDENT AND PRESIDENT RELATIONSHIPS, RICHARD BURR SENATE SEAT, CHALLENGES FACING DEMOCRAT AND REPUBLICAN PARTIES IN NORTH CAROLINA, IMPACT OF MOVING NORTH CAROLINA

PRIMARY, POLITICAL ADVERTISING, APPEAL OF DONALD TRUMP, AND GOVERNOR'S RACE IN NORTH CAROLINA

PA BLOCK FOR AUGUST 29/30

## PEOPLE IN POLITICS

THIS WEEK, THE FIGHT OVER NORTH CAROLINA'S NEW LAW TO REQUIRE A PHOTO I.D. TO VOTE WAS BACK IN COURT. HOST DONNA MARTINEZ GETS THE DETAILS FROM CAROLINA JOURNAL MANAGING EDITOR RICK HENDERSON, WHO IS FOLLOWING THE MULTIPLE CASES FILED AGAINST THE ELECTION LAW CHANGE THAT OPPONENTS SAY IS DISCRIMINATORY. THIS WEEK'S CASE WAS BEFORE A STATE JUDGE AND FOCUSED SOLELY ON WHETHER RECENT LEGISLATIVE CHANGES TO THE I.D. LAW MAKE THE DETRACTORS' CASE MOOT. THEN WE HEAR ABOUT THE NATIONAL STORY THAT SPURRED NORTH CAROLINA REPUBLICAN PARTY CHAIRMAN HASAN HARNETT TO REBUT SCUTTLEBUTT THAT THE PARTY IS CONSIDERING FORCING GOP CANDIDATES TO COMMIT TO SUPPORTING THE EVENTUAL PRESIDENTIAL NOMINEE IN ORDER TO GAIN ACCESS TO THE STATE'S PRIMARY BALLOT. THAT'S FOLLOWED BY COMMENTS FROM STATE REP. DEAN ARP ABOUT ONE OF THE MOST HOTLY DEBATED POLITICAL ISSUES OF THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY SESSION: WHETHER VOTERS WILL BE ABLE TO CAST A BALLOT FOR OR AGAINST INFRASTRUCTURE BONDS. ARP EXPLAINS A COMPROMISE WITH THE GOVERNOR THAT IS BEING CONSIDERED BY LEGISLATIVE LEADERS. THEN WE HEAR FROM GOV. MCCRORY AS HE SHARES HIS PERSONAL MEMORIES OF BEING A STUDENT TEACHER AT A ROWAN COUNTY HIGH SCHOOL. HIS MESSAGE WAS RELEASED TO HONOR TEACHERS HEADING BACK TO SCHOOL FOR THE NEW YEAR. THEN MARTINEZ GETS THE LATEST POLLING DATA ON THE PRESIDENTIAL CONTENDERS FROM TOM JENSEN OF PUBLIC POLICY POLLING. THE TWO DISCUSS THE SLATE OF REPUBLICAN CANDIDATES, WHERE DONALD TRUMP HAS THE LEAD IN NORTH CAROLINA, AND THE GROWING CHALLENGES FOR DEMOCRATIC PARTY FRONTRUNNER HILLARY CLINTON.

## CAROLINA NEWSMAKERS

"INTERVIEW WITH KORY SWANSON", PRESIDENT AND CEO OF THE JOHN LOCKE FOUNDATION

KORY SWANSON BACKGROUND, INFRASTRUCTURE SPENDING IN LEGISLATIVE SESSION, PROBLEMS CAUSED BY POPULATION GROWTH, ECONOMIC INCENTIVES, MCCRORY ADMINISTRATION STANCE ON INCENTIVES, STATE OF THE POLITICAL PARTY SYSTEM, REVISING REDISTRICTING, U.S. SENATE SEAT CHALLENGERS TO RICHARD BURR, ANALYZING GOVERNOR'S RACE IN 2016, IMPACT MOVING UP NORTH CAROLINA PRIMARY, HEALTH CARE IN NORTH CAROLINA, OVERVIEW OF CERTIFICATES OF NEED, MEDICAID SPENDING, ENTITLEMENT SPENDING, MODEL PEER STATES, JOHN LOCKE FOUNDATION 25TH ANNIVERSARY, HOW THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY SHOULD APPROACH THE LEGISLATIVE SESSION, AND RURAL AND URBAN DIVIDE

PA BLOCK FOR SEPTEMBER 5/6

## PEOPLE IN POLITICS

THE COURT BATTLE CONTINUES. THIS WEEK, THE NORTH CAROLINA SUPREME COURT HEARD ORAL ARGUMENTS IN THE CASE OF THE STATE'S ELECTION MAPS, WHICH WERE REDRAWN BY REPUBLICANS IN 2011. THE HIGH COURT PREVIOUSLY RULED THE MAPS WERE LEGAL, BUT A RULING FROM THE NATION'S HIGHEST COURT ADVISED NORTH CAROLINA TO RECONSIDER ITS MAPS CASE IN LIGHT OF THE SUPREME COURT'S OPINION IN AN ALABAMA CASE. CAROLINA JOURNAL MANAGING EDITOR RICK HENDERSON TELLS HOST DONNA MARTINEZ ABOUT THE ISSUES BEING LITIGATED AND THE POTENTIAL IMPACT IF THE COURT WERE TO RULE IN FAVOR OF THE OPPONENTS OF THE MAPS. THE TWO ALSO DISCUSS THE LEGISLATURE'S WAVERING THIS WEEK ON EXACTLY HOW MANY PRIMARY RACES SHOULD APPEAR ON THE BALLOT IN MARCH 2016. THE PRESIDENTIAL PRIMARY HAD BEEN HEADED FOR A MARCH 15 BALLOT, BUT SOME LAWMAKERS WANT TO SAVE MONEY BY PUTTING ALL THE PRIMARIES ON THE MARCH BALLOT, RATHER THAN IN MAY. HENDERSON ALSO GIVES MARTINEZ THE LATEST DETAILS IN THE CONTINUING PROBLEMS FOR REP. ROBERT PITTENGER OF NORTH CAROLINA'S 9TH CONGRESSIONAL DISTRICT. PITTENGER HAS NOW DRAWN A PRIMARY CHALLENGER. THEN WE TURN TO COMMENTS MADE BY GOV. PAT MCCRORY ABOUT WORKING WITH LEGISLATORS ON THE STATE BUDGET, COMMENTS MADE DURING A MEDIA BRIEFING THIS WEEK. THAT'S FOLLOWED BY MARTINEZ'S DISCUSSION WITH DON VAN DER VAART, SECRETARY OF THE STATE'S DEPARTMENT OF ENVIRONMENT AND NATURAL RESOURCES, ABOUT THE BATTLE BETWEEN THE OBAMA ADMINISTRATION'S EPA AND MANY STATES, INCLUDING NORTH CAROLINA, OVER WHO

CONTROLS WATERS AND STREAMS. NEXT IS A TALK WITH A SENIOR NORTH CAROLINA ADVISOR TO REPUBLICAN JEB BUSH'S PRESIDENTIAL CAMPAIGN. JONATHAN FELTS TELLS MARTINEZ WHY BUSH WILL BE, IN HIS ESTIMATION, THE NOMINEE OF THE REPUBLICAN PARTY. AND FINALLY, NC STATE PROFESSOR ANDY TAYLOR TALKS ABOUT NORTH CAROLINA'S INFLUENCE AS A BATTLEGROUND STATE, AND THE CHANGING ROLE AND POWER OF THE STATE'S TWO MAJOR POLITICAL PARTIES.

#### CAROLINA NEWSMAKERS

"INTERVIEW WITH BRUCE STANLEY", PRESIDENT AND CHIEF EXECUTIVE OFFICER OF THE METHODIST HOME FOR CHILDREN

BACKGROUND OF THE NFIB, ECONOMIC ENVIRONMENT FOR BUSINESS IN NORTH CAROLINA, EXPORTING, INCENTIVES FOR NEW BUSINESS, HEALTHCARE REFORM, ENTITLEMENT SPENDING, RETIREMENT AGE, MEDICARE AND MEDICAID, ASSESSING REGULATIONS, DESIRE FOR BIPARTISAN DIALOGUE, REDISTRICTING, TAX REFORM, ENERGY PRODUCTION, HYDRAULIC FRACTURING, MINIMUM WAGE LEGISLATION, SERVICE TAX LEGISLATION, AND INSURANCE MANDATES

PA BLOCK FOR SEPTEMBER 12/13

#### PEOPLE IN POLITICS

THIS WEEK, REPUBLICAN PRESIDENTIAL CANDIDATE JEB BUSH CHOSE NORTH CAROLINA FOR A POLICY SPEECH ON THE ECONOMY AND TAXES IN AN EFFORT TO JUMPSTART A CAMPAIGN THAT HAS BEEN OUTSHINED BY ENTREPRENEUR DONALD TRUMP. YOU'LL HEAR BUSH'S COMMENTS ABOUT HELPING THE MIDDLE CLASS IN REMARKS MADE BEFORE SUPPORTERS IN GARNER. THEN HOST DONNA MARTINEZ TALKS THE MANAGING EDITOR OF A NEWSPAPER THAT COVERED THE BUSH SPEECH. RICK HENDERSON OF CAROLINA JOURNAL DESCRIBES THE DYNAMICS OF THE ROOM, AS SEEN BY HIS REPORTERS, AND THE TUG-OF-WAR BETWEEN BUSH AND TRUMP. THE TWO ALSO DISCUSS THE UPCOMING VISIT TO GREENSBORO BY DEMOCRATIC PRESIDENTIAL CANDIDATE BERNIE SANDERS, A SELF-DESCRIBED SOCIALIST WHO HAS BEEN DRAWING THOUSANDS OF SUPPORTERS TO HIS RALLIES AND WHO NOW LEADS HILLARY CLINTON IN THE CRITICAL STATE OF IOWA. MARTINEZ ALSO FINDS OUT ABOUT A FAMILIAR NAME WHO'S LANDED A JOB WITH A MEMBER OF NORTH CAROLINA'S CONGRESSIONAL DELEGATION AND THE TWO DISCUSS THE GROWING LIST OF DEMOCRATS SEEKING THE PARTY'S NOMINATION TO CHALLENGE REPUBLICAN LT. GOV. DAN FOREST FOR THE #2 JOB IN OUR STATE. HENDERSON ALSO COMMENTS ON POTENTIAL ETHICAL PROBLEMS FOR TWO CONGRESSMEN. THEN MARTINEZ TALKS WITH FORMER MISSISSIPPI GOV. HALEY BARBOUR ABOUT HIS NEW BOOK, "AMERICA'S GREAT STORM," WHICH CHRONICLES THE DEVASTATION OF HURRICANE KATRINA ON BARBOUR'S STATE AND THE EFFORTS TO REBUILD FROM THE DISASTER. THAT'S FOLLOWED BY NC STATE PROFESSOR ANDY TAYLOR, WHO COMMENTS ON THE KEY STATES IN THE 2016 PRESIDENTIAL CYCLE. FINALLY, MARTINEZ PROVIDES THE LATEST VOTER REGISTRATION STATISTICS FOR NORTH CAROLINA, WHICH SHOW DEMOCRATS CONTINUING TO DOMINATE REGISTRATION.

#### CAROLINA NEWSMAKERS

"INTERVIEW WITH PATRICK WOODIE", PRESIDENT OF THE NORTH CAROLINA RURAL ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT CENTER

BACKGROUND ON RURAL CENTER, DEFINING RURAL AREAS, OPERATING IN SMALL COUNTIES, ATTRACTING AND RETAINING BUSINESSES IN RURAL AREAS, RETAINING YOUNG PEOPLE, IMPACT OF RETIREES LOCATING TO THE STATE, COUNTIES DECREASING IN SIZE, STATES HAVING SIMILAR ISSUES TO NORTH CAROLINA, IMPACT OF LARGE WAREHOUSE STORES, STATUS OF BROADBAND INTERNET ACCESS IN RURAL AREAS, IMPACT OF PORTS ON NORTH CAROLINA, VALUE OF THE COMMUNITY COLLEGE SYSTEM, INFLUENCE OF MILITARY IN RURAL AREAS, IMPACT OF SMALL BUSINESSES ON SMALL ECONOMIES, POTENTIAL IMPACT OF BOND REFERENDUM, DISTRIBUTION OF SALES TAX, ISSUE OF DEFERRED MAINTENANCE, AND 2015 RURAL ASSEMBLY

PA BLOCK FOR SEPTEMBER 19/20

#### PEOPLE IN POLITICS

SHOULD HILLARY CLINTON BE CONCERNED ABOUT BERNIE SANDERS? JUST DAYS AGO, THE VERMONT SENATOR AND SELF-DESCRIBED SOCIALIST BROUGHT HIS MESSAGE OF INCOME INEQUALITY AND MORE GOVERNMENT SUPPORT TO GREENSBORO TO A STANDING-ROOM-ONLY CROWD OF MORE THAN 5,000 AT THE GREENSBORO COLISEUM. YOU'LL HEAR SOME OF HIS COMMENTS. THEN HOST DONNA MARTINEZ TALKS WITH DEMOCRATIC POLITICAL CONSULTANT THOMAS MILLS ABOUT THE SANDERS PHENOMENON, AND WHY HE BELIEVES SANDERS' POPULARITY HAS SIMILARITIES TO THE POPULARITY OF DONALD TRUMP WITH REPUBLICANS. MILLS ALSO HAS SOME CANDID ADVICE FOR THE CLINTON CAMPAIGN. THEN WE TURN TO THE POLITICS OF THE STATE BUDGET – WHO WON AND WHO LOST THE POLITICAL FIGHT OVER FUNDING AND PROGRAMS. MARTINEZ GETS PERSPECTIVE FROM RICK HENDERSON OF CAROLINA JOURNAL ON WHAT IT COULD MEAN TO THE 2016 ELECTION CYCLE FOR BOTH REPUBLICANS AND DEMOCRATS. AND FINALLY, IT WAS A HUGE WEEK FOR REPUBLICAN PRESIDENTIAL CANDIDATES, ALL OF WHOM HAVE THEIR EYES ON NORTH CAROLINA. IN PARTICULAR, CARLY FIORINA, DONALD TRUMP, AND MARCO RUBIO MADE AN IMPACT. YOU'LL HEAR SOME OF THE EXCHANGES THAT OCCURRED BETWEEN THE CANDIDATES WHO DEBATED BEFORE A MASSIVE VIEWERSHIP OF NEARLY 23 MILLION ON CNN.

#### CAROLINA NEWSMAKERS

"INTERVIEW WITH JOHN HOOD", PRESIDENT OF THE JOHN WILLIAM POPE FOUNDATION

STATE BUDGET FINALIZED, SAVING PORTION OF THE BUDGET SURPLUS, WHY BUDGET PROCESS WAS LONGER THAN USUAL, SALES TAX DISTRIBUTION, THE BOOK CATALYST, HIGHWAY FUND AND BUILDING ROADS, TEACHER PAY, PRESIDENTIAL PRIMARY MOVED UP IN NORTH CAROLINA AND LOCAL IMPLICATIONS, TEACHER ASSISTANTS, FUNDING DRIVER'S EDUCATION, BACKGROUND OF FORMER GOVERNOR JIM MARTIN, PROJECTIONS FOR DONALD TRUMP AND THE PRESIDENTIAL NOMINATIONS, CHANGES WITH DEPARTMENTS IN STATE GOVERNMENT, AND SMALLER BUDGET PROVISIONS

PA BLOCK FOR SEPTEMBER 26/27

#### PEOPLE IN POLITICS

HE'S RISEN TO CHIEF DEPUTY WHIP OF THE U.S. HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES, MAKING 10TH DISTRICT CONGRESSMAN PATRICK MCHENRY ONE OF THE MOST INFLUENTIAL REPUBLICANS ON CAPITOL HILL. HOST DONNA MARTINEZ SITS DOWN WITH REP. MCHENRY TO DISCUSS HIS ROLE IN CONGRESS, THE DIVIDED GOP, PRESIDENTIAL POLITICS, AND HIS VIEWS ON KEY ISSUES. THEN WE TURN OUR ATTENTION TO THE ELECTION CYCLE. DEMOCRATIC STATE SEN. JOSH STEIN SAYS HE WANT TO BE THE NEXT NORTH CAROLINA ATTORNEY GENERAL AND SPRING LAKE MAYOR CHRIS REY WANTS TO THE NEXT U.S. SENATOR. MARTINEZ TALKS WITH CAROLINA JOURNAL MANAGING EDITOR RICK HENDERSON ABOUT THE PROSPECTS FOR DEMOCRATS IN THE SENATE RACE AND STATEWIDE RACES. THAT'S FOLLOWED BY MARTINEZ' DISCUSSION WITH DALLAS WOODHOUSE OF CAROLINA RISING ABOUT HIS VIEW OF THE LEGISLATIVE SESSION AND WHAT IT MEANS FOR THE CAMPAIGN TRAIL HEADING INTO 2016.

#### CAROLINA NEWSMAKERS

"INTERVIEW WITH BOB PHILLIPS", EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR OF COMMON CAUSE NORTH CAROLINA

BACKGROUND ON COMMON CAUSE, REDISTRICTING AND GERRYMANDERING, INFLUENCE OF TECHNOLOGY IN REDISTRICTING, BARRIERS TO GET INTO POLITICS, IMPACT OF MOVING PRIMARY, TRUST AND JOURNALISM, ELECTION REFORM, SAME DAY REGISTRATION, OUT OF PRECINCT VOTING, SECURE ELECTIONS AND FRAUD, HISPANIC VOTING POPULATION, GOVERNOR'S BOND ISSUE, STATE OF JOURNALISM, ETHICS IN GOVERNMENT, ROLE OF LOBBYISTS, AND POLITICAL ADVERTISING